Jubilee calendar in a Special Report on the past 25 years

French suggest economic summit talks in Britain

President Giscard d'Estaing suggested yesterday that the next economic summit meeting of the industrialized Western nations should be held in Britain. According to an unconfirmed report, Mr Callaghan will visit Washington next month.

Giscard surprise on April venue

From Paul Martin

Paris, Jan 4 The suggestion, which appears to have taken everyone including the British by surprise, was made when the French President met the press

at the Elysée Palace. Previous economic summits have taken place in Rambouillet have taken place in Rambouillet and Puerto Rico, and it had been felt that this year's gathering might be held in Tokyo. The Japanese had made known their desire to be hosts for the meeting. However, M. Giscard d'Estaing made it clear that he thought the summit should take thought the summit should take place in Europe.

This would ensure an early visit to Europe by Mr Jimmy Carter, a factor that must bom large in the French President's thinking. M. Giscard d'Estaing would like to see the new American President helping the West European nations to come to grips with the economic reali-ties that face them.

Although Giscard d'Estaing gave the impression that the question remained open, his suggestion that open, his suggestion that Britain should be the venue for the meeting appeared deli-berate. He obviously feels that the problems facing Britain at the moment are a suitable reminder for other western

No date for the next summit meeting has yet been fixed, but Tuesday of M Barre, the French M Giscard d'Estaing said today Prime Minister. He is exthat it would almost certainly pected to meet Mr Callaghan and Mr Healey, Chancellor of time for Mr Carter to the Exchequer.

Peace group settle into the presidential

President Giscard d'Estaing suggested today that the next economic summit meeting of the seven main industrialized thinking. He has followed with states could be held in Britain.

The sevent the Reighbourly in terest the Reighbourly in the Reighbourly a more than neighbourly in-terest the British Government's battle to overcome its economic problems. His sentiments were clearly expressed at the Novemclearly expressed at the November meeting in Rambouillet with Mr Callaghan when full French support was given for Britain's application for a loan from the International Mone-

France is itself preoccupied with economic problems. M Giscard d'Estaing made it clear in his new year message that these were his Government's primary concern at present.

At the end of his talks with Mr Callaghan two months ago, the French President declared that Britain's attempts to solve the problems of its sterling balances had the full support of Although dubbed the "poor

man's summit" at the time, there is no doubt that the November meeting laid the foundations for an important new relationship. President Giscard d'Estaing's latest suggestion is looked upon as reflecting that relationship. David Blake writes: The first six months of 1977 will see an intensive round of international meetings in Britain, some of which will result from Britain's chairmanship of the European Community and others from the

many, Italy, Japan and Canada. particular may be raised dur-No date for the next summir ing the visit to London next

Mr Callaghan 'first on Carter guest list'

By David Spanier Diplomatic Correspondent

The Prime Minister will pay an official visit to Washington in the first half of next month in the twist half of next month to meet Mr Jimmy Carter within weeks of his inauguration as President on January 20, according to a report from Agence France-Presse yester-

There was no confirmation from Downing Street, but a spokesman pointed out that Mr Callachan had aiready said, in his telegram of congratulations to Mr Carter on winning the election last November 3, that he looked forward to an oppor-tunity of meeting him soon after he assumed office.

The agency report added that

Mr Callaghan would probably be the first head of government to meet the new President, by virtue of Britain being chair-man of the EEC Council of

man of the EDO Ministers.

He would be speaking both as British Prime Minister and representative of the Nine.

Mr Callaghan is expected to the Mr Callaghan i Mr Callighan is expected to be accompanied by Mr Cros-land, the Foreign Secretary, and advisers on European, economic monetary questions, the report

One of the topics to be discussed will be the proposed economic summit, strongly favoured by Mr Callaghan.

leading members of the Euro pean Community, Canada and Japan. President Giscard d'Estaing of France suggested yesterday that the summit should be held in Britain next

Mr Carter, however, is said by his aides to want the economic summit to be held as close as possible to the United States, perhaps in Bermuda, as he intends during his first year in office to concentrate on domestic matters and limit his foreign travel.

The most urgent issue Mr Callaghan is likely to bring up at a meeting with Mr Carter concerns the efforts to nego-tiate a sertlement on Rhodesia's

Our Washington Correspondent writes: Although Mr Callaghan has informed Mr Carter's transition staff that he would like to meet the new President as soon as is convenient after the inauguration, no date has yet been set, authoritative sources in Wash-

It is possible the office of as a whole had dropped by Mr. Cyrus Vance, the incoming nearly a half.

Secretary of State, will work out schedules in the next fort-during 1976 the number. night, but there are many civilian deaths remained diapplications from heads of foreign governments for meetings with Mr Carter.

currently like number of civilian deaths remained distribution to the number of civilian deaths remai

from the city, wrecked a whisky bond and container store area at Renfrew yesterday. No one was badly burt but damage to Renfrew Freightliner depor and buildings within a mile of it

Three

was heavy. The blast carried across the Clyde and broke windows in It shattered 30 plate-glass windows at Renfrew Airport hotel a mile away and damaged Braehead power station near by.

Strathclyde Fire Brigade said last night that three people with shock and cuts caused by fly-ing glass had been detained in hospital. Eighty firemen fought a fierce fire at the site of the

explosions.

Mr Thomas Middleton, aged 46, of Glasgow, a security officer, was alone on duty at the depot when the explosions ripped apart two of the build-

drive

in Ulster

From Christopher Walker

The Northern Ireland peace

movement is to start a campaign against the system of strictly

segregated education, which its

leaders believe is one of the main causes of the continuing

estant schools in Belfast have been asked to send three repre-

sentatives each to a conference to be held at Methodist College,

in the city, at the end of the

The move comes after the

establishment of peace groups in eight schools of both religions that have been visited

by Miss Mairead Corrigan, a

children of different denomina-

tions to travel across Belfast to

activities, including sports, with children of the opposite religion, will be put to the meet-

Miss Corrigan, a Roman Catholic, intends to devote much of her time to attending meetings at local schools. Those

group was started.

schoolchildren and teenagers.

all at business premises, were

defused by the Army.

The renewed violence that

has so far marked the new year

in Northern Ireland was dis-

cussed by Mr Mason, the Secre-

Attempting to find some com-

later compared them with 15084

of 1974 and maintained that " in

most fields" there had been a

continuation of the downward

trend that had been apparent

since the troubled days of 1972

As reported in The Times last month, official army figures

show an increase in all the

main forms of terrorist vicience

in 1976 compared with the previous year. But Mr Mason ex-plained that he preferred to

there was "no protracted, so-called ceasefire in operation".

His statement said shorting

were down by nearly half and

disturbances had declined by a

of violence for last year.

co-founder of the movement. An offer by the movement to buy minibuses to enable school-

sectarian violence in Ulster. All Roman Catholic and Pro-

schools

Widespread damage as explosions wreck whisky bond ings. The rest of the staff, about a hundred people, were away on new year holiday. violent explosions which shook the centre of Glas-

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For several hours after the explosions police officers toured gow and were heard 20 miles the Renfrew area asking parents to check that their children and neighbours were safe,

Last night forensic scientists were seeking the cause of the explosions.

The two wrecked warehouses, each 100ft long, contained bonded whisky, chemicals, and agricultural equipment. Two other buildings at the depot, owned by Clyde Port Authority, were damaged.

Blazing spirits: Mr Richard Knowiton, Strathclyde's Regional Firemaster, said that at one stage his men had to fight a running fire in the ex-plosion area, with blazing spirit leaking from damaged barrels the Press Association reports).
Chief Supt Gordon Paterson said the main explosion was in a general cargo shed, which contained chemicals, tyres, combine harvesters, and other vehicles

explosions: Three gas

explosions yesterday, at Liver-pool, Huddersfield and Sutton-in-Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, injured three people and brought the total of serious gas

explosions to six in the past week (a Staff Reporter writes). The three people were taken to hospital after an explosion had damaged a terrace house in Venmore Street, Liverpool. Mrs Isabella Duffy, aged 79, who lived in the house, and two

being treated for shock. The North West Gas Board said a three-inch main outside the house had fractured and the gas had seeped into the cellar of the house, where it had been ignited, possibly when

Tyre marks suggested that the fracture had been caused by heavy traffic, probably lorries, driving over the pavement above the main. Paving stones there had been cracked. A fractured main was also responsible for the explosion in Sharp Lane, Huddersfield. The occupants of the house, Mr and Mrs Charles Ellis and their two Mrs Charles Ellis and their two children, were asleep and

a fire was lit.

The North Eastern Gas Board

a hundred yards from the house had been fractured, but it was thought that gas leaked into the boiler switched itself on.

Sutton-in-Ashfield terrace house in Silk Street was badly damaged by a gas explosion, which demolished a kitchen wall and blew a door through the front window. The house was unoccupied and no one was injured. Workmen from the East Midlands Gas time searching for a leak.

The board said the explosion was believed to have been caused by gas building up in a pipe. A section of piping had been sent to the Gas Research

Station for examination.

Publicity about the week's incidents and appeals from gas boards to report leaks have brought a big increase in the number of emergency calls. The South Eastern Gas Board said

yesterday: "We are getting about 50 per cent more calls about leaks than usual." Most were false alarms, but the board added: "We are happy that records are keeping as that people are keeping so

Oxygen explosion: Workmen escaped injury and little dam-age was done when an explosion shook the British Rail engineering works at Crewe, Cheshire, yesterday (our Crewe correspon-dent writes). It occurred in a pipe carrying oxygen through the fabrication shop.

Our Energy Correspondent writes: Brirish Gas has set up a team of engineers in London to coordinate the results of in-vestigations into the present space of explosions.

The corporation says that the number of serious accidents has not varied greatly since 1968, although the number of people using gas during that time has increased fourfold. A serious accident is one that causes more than £100 worth of damage to property, serious injury, or death

Photograph, page 2



Mr Vladimir Bukovsky, the Soviet dissident freed in exchange for a Chilean Communist leader, with Mr David Markham, the actor (right) at Heathrow airport. Report, page 5.

Britain gets back to France of how difficult is the Community and others from the echannic path shead. Community and others from the cluded one hard-line Protestant boys second residued one hard-line Protestant boys second res

to the movement to as! her after the extended Christmas questions. Later she snoke to holiday. Many workers had the whole school and a peace. been away for up to a fortnight and the prolonged break A vouth wing of the peace apparently persuaded them not movement has also been formed to take the extra unofficial day to concentrate activities among off that has become almost meditional in some areas. Coal-The Provisional IRA con-tinued its bombing campaign

Only normal absenteeism was fields, shipyards, steelworks large factories repoi good working start to 1977. Leyland, however, began with a strike in the components depot at Horsepath, near Oxford, where 50 men stopped work over a claim for payment while they were off work be-cause of a strike which ended on Christmas Eve

yesterday. A supermarket and a garage in Belfast were badly damaged. Three other devices. Mr Richard still optimistic

Mr Ivor Richard, the Rhodesia conference chairman, has arrived in Botswana, the fourth country in his African shuttle. radiating optimism, he tary of State, at his weekly security review. The Army and police chiefs reviewed statistics said that a peaceful agreement between the Rhodesian Government and the black nationalists can be achieved. A visit to Mozambique and Tanzania will fort from the figures, Mr Mason complete the first stage of his diplomatic journey Page 6 diplomatic journey

> Policy institute proposed

policy institute designed to bring together academics engaged in research and analysis with politicians and civil servants responsible for shaping public policy may be formed in London by the end of this year

plained that he preferred to make his comparisons with 1974, because then, as in 1976, in industry

accidents, according to the National Council on Alcoholism. it suggests a code of practice to help sufferers Page 2

about dress designers in Höllywood; Lynn Redgrave interviewed by Sheridan Morley; concert notices by William Mann and Mox Harrison

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Fleet Street troubles may jeopardize NPA three hours' overtime in soldi-

December 28 and January 3.

ssue of

Production of yesterday morn-

Times, which had announced as

the end of December that it

would not publish on January 3,

was stopped by printing workers' unofficial action.

The Daily Mirror, which is not an NPA member, lost its

London print on four successive days over the holiday.

ing the outcome of ballots among Fleet Street unions on

the document, Programme for

Action. produced by the national newspaper industry's joint standing committee. So far

the shop-floor response has been unfavourable.

of unofficial industrial disputes in Fleet Street exceeded 30

million copies.

Losses in December because

Managements are now await-

By Christopher Thomas

new year period, which for two days haited production of most newspapers, is leading to seriof the Newspaper Publishers Association.

Some 'members of the NPA are saying privately that the organization may be in danger inless there is greater unity of action. There is concern that economic pressures are leading some new papers to take steps not in line with NPA strategy

Twice over the Christmas and new year period publication was halted in all newspapers in the NPA apart from the Daily Ex-press and The Guardian, because of disputes over Bank holiday payments. Most national newspapers, not includ-

ing The Times, offered the printing unions payment of

Former Prague

minister on

Spying charge
Prague, Jan 4.—Mr Josef
Grohman, aged 56, a former
deputy Culture Minister and Czechoslovak representative at Unesco, has been arrested on suspicion of spying for the Car parts dispute: The three-

week-old dispute involving electricians at the Rubery Owen The official Ceteka news agency said today he was arrested on October 21 after car parts factory at Darlaston, West Midlands, has ended 2 returning from Paris. An investigation had confirmed

Farm prices: A senior government official called at the Oxford Farming Conference for the reduction of EEC farm suspicions that he had been spying for Western intelligence agencies, the report added. The charge carries a sentence of up to 15 years' imprison-Chess: Bobby Fischer fails to claim his place in the world

Mr Grohman was deputy championship qualifying tourna-Culture Minister from 1966 to 1967. The next year he became ment and Boris Spassky will play instead 6 the Czechoslovak representative New "Grove's": The sixth at Unesco. edition of Grove's Dictionary of Music and Musicians is being He held the post of editor in

chief of the state technical literature publishing house from 1951 to 1968. An economics prepared at a cost of about £25m. It will run to about graduate, he was the first chairman of the communist-orientated International Union Jubilce Britain: An eight-page Special Report on the state of of Students from 1947 to 1951.

Woman sought after baby is taken from pram By Clive Borrell

Several houses in south London were searched last night after a girl aged six months had been snatched from a pram while her mother was cashing a cheque at a Wimbledon bank. The baby, Sarah Louise Maurice, vanished from outside Barclays Bank in Kingston Road. She has brown hair and

blue eyes and was dressed in

The police want to interview a young weman or teenager wearing a grey coat and green "tea cosy" hat who was seen buying a ticket at South Wimbledon station a few minutes after the baby had been missed.

Coventry air raid claim of 'jamming error'

By Robert Parker The German air raid on Coventry in 1940, which killed 554 people, injured 865 people, and flattened more than 50,000 buildings, might well have been deflected by the efforts of British intelligence but for an "elementary error" by an un-known and probably tone-deaf

That opinion will be expressed tonight in a fim made by Yorkshire Television about Professor R. V. Jones, whom Winston Churchill put in charge of the scientific intelligence unit of MI 6 while he was still in his twenties

It has been suggested that

It has been suggested that Churchill did not act on advance knowledge of the enemy plans because he did not want the Germans to know that their codes had been cracked by British intelligence.

their codes had been cracked by British intelligence.

But Professor Jones says that the British knew on November 10, four days before the attack, that a heavy raid was planned somewhere in England. That was a result of Professor Jones's work in deciphering codes produced by an "Enigma" machine, which the Germans thought unbreakable.

Professor Jones had also discovered that the Germans had been using radio beams to guide their bombers to targets with precision. He had developed a system for jamming the radio beams, at first employing hospital apparatus used on arthritic patients, but later using more elaborate later using more elaborati

British intelligence picked up an enemy code order on November 10 preparing the whole German bomber fleet for "Operation Moonlight Sonata". "Since November 14/15 was the night of the full moon it looked as though this would be the night", Professor Jones says. At about 5.30 pm on November 14 he received a telephone call telling him the beams were "somewhere over the Midlands".

He realized that the beam frequency figures were wrong. "It was a nasty problem over the telephone at 5.30 pm when the raids perhaps were begin-

ning at 6 pm."

He had to gamble on what frequencies to jam. "It turned out that we did jam on the right frequencies, but we found some days later, when we captured an aircraft, that someone had made a wrong measurement of the actual frequency, the note on which the beam is

For some resent the first Labour Staff

Industrial trouble in Fleet

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Street over the Christmas and difference-between a C and a G. such a simple measurement that no one thought of checking it.
"I do not know how that error occurred, but occur it did and the results were tragic.".
The raid devastated Coventry. destroying the cathedral and 12 aircraft factories. The Germans dropped 56 tons of iccendiary bombs, 394 tons of high explosive and 127 mines. Much of the material in the film, which is about Professor Jones's long record of success in countering the Germans, has been included only because of relaxation of the 30 years' secrecy rule imposed under the Official Secrets Act. The film, The Secret War of

Dr Jones, is being shown tonight on independent television at 1.5.30.

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President-elect to surrender his share of peanut-broking business while in office until a certain period has From Fred Emery According to the announce-

Washington, Jan 4

Mr Jimmy Carter announced today that he is giving up for the duration of his presidency Carter's first step towards his share in the highly successful family peanut-broking warehousing business in Plains, Georgia.

The annual turnover of the business is reputed to be about S10m (almost £6m). When Mr Carter inherited it from his father in 1953, it was in debt.

The President-elect announced the decision as part of his determination to clear himself and all his nominees of con-flict of interest problems. His Cabiner members will, once he is inaugurated, be required to would enable make full financial disclosures, to be made. ad to pledge themselves to serve in Government for a full term, and not to return to what would happen to holdings by Mr Carter's partners—his their Government functions

Mr Carter's press secretary, Mr Jody Powell, described today's announcements as Mr meeting his campaign pledge " to attempt to restore the confidence of the American people in their own Government "

Government American officers, from the President down, have in recent times put their private finances into socalled "blind trusts" and are supposed to be kept unaware of developments until they leave office.
Alshough Mr Certer's arrange-

ments are described as more stringent, details were not avail-able at the time of writing that would enable full comparisons

ment, Mr Carter's financial interests excepting his for 1coming emoluments as President -would be placed in the hands of a trustee. Cash income could be available to Mr Carte: He would sell his holdings of stocks and shares. His interest in the peant

warehousing firm would be held by the trustee, who could sell it, lease it without " discupting " the interests of the partners. However this same arrange-

ment would not apply to Carter Farms Inc. which comprises more than 2,000 acres of peanut land. The land could not be sold by the trustee, and could only be rented until Mr Carter returned to private life. In addition Mr Carter is to

give to charity all future royalties from a book of his campaign speeches as well as his autobiography Why Not The

A Mauritanian in charge of the Palestine Liberation Organisa-tion (PLO) office in Paris, who was shot dead outside a city bookshop, was the victim Zionist plot, the PLO alleged vesterday. He was Mr Mahmoud Saleh, aged 38

Zionists accused

of PLO killing

Mr Rabin tries to end crisis Mr Rabin, the Israeli Prime Minister, was charged yesterday by President Katzir with forming a new government. Permission to bury Mr Ofer, the Housing Minister, in a cemetery, in spite of his suicide, was given by the

Cost of drink Excessive drinking by at least to million people, is costing Britain millions of pounds because of wrong decisions and

quarter, compared with 19.4. and although two more menbers of the security forces were killed, security force casualties

> Pit retirement An improved offer on early

retirement for mineworkers will be made by the National Coal Board today. Last month the miners voted in favour of industrial action, if necessary, but there is scope for compro-

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Drinkers are costing Britain millions of pounds, report says

By John Roper Health Services Correspondent

There may be at least two million people, from company directors and heads of small businesses to shoofloor workers, whose drinking is costing Britain millions of pounds because of wrong decisions and accidents, the National Council on Alcoholism said yesterday. It accused Britain of lagging It accused Britain of lagging

behind the United States in recognizing and tackling the growing question of executives and workers whose lunchtime drinking particularly affects their work.

. Presenting a report on alcohol and work, a member of the council's working party, Mr S. L. Barnes, of the National and Local Government Officers Association, said that covering up for colleagues was a big difficulty.

A man who had to put up a ladder on a building site might have a liquid lunch but no one questioned his ability on his return. "Manness is the problem we have to get used to", he said. "This is the cover-up process. If the difficulty was acknowledged we could start

The report says that even where there has been a glimmer-ing of understanding of what is involved there has been a general reluctance to face the

sickness by all workers was 16; days a year but in the case of excessive drinkers it was five times more. The six million days lost through strikes in 1975 was probably small compared with the working days lost by exces-

After investigating material published in Britain and abroad, the working party concludes that the prevalence of "prob-lem" drinking is lower here than in North America and several continental countries. tion centres showed that 88 per cent of clients were periodiccent of clients were periodic-ally drinking before going to work; 62 per cent sometimes Street, London SW1P 3LT).

took a bottle to work; 12 per

cent took a bottle every day; and 91 per cent sometimes

drank throughout the day.

There was special need to appreciate the effect of alcohol

on young people, who were now drinking more. Even with moderate levels of alcohol in the blood, they often presented reactions in the control of the control

adult with 200 milligrams per 100 millilitres, about 21 times the legal limit fordriving.

Studies in France showing that excessive drinking by workers caused more accidents in factories and that important

decisions in boardrooms and government offices could be

affected by blood-alcohol levels over the legal limit are quoted

Safety Executive should attempt

to find out the cost of loss of

production and earnings due to

accidents, sickness and sub

standard work caused by exces

sive drinking.
It further suggests that man-

agement and employee repre-scutatives should formulate a

joint code of practice that would offer help to employees with drinking difficulties while

undertaking to safeguard their jobs. That approach has been

working party recom-that the Health and

in the reports.

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Correspondent
Mr John Owen, managing
director of Rubery Owen, said
last night that despite the ending of the three-week old electricians' dispute the future of the company's motor component plant at Darleston, West Mid-lands, was "still on the knife edge".
"We have had nine months of disputes at the plant and be-cause one is settled it does not

mean that it is all over", he

'Knife edge'

as dispute

at car parts

plant ends

a By Clifford Webb Midlands Industrial

mean that it is all over, he said.

The electricians had voted by 32 to 22 to accept a peace formula that involves the company in paying about £5,000 to a charity to be selected by the electricians.

Because the strike threatened thousands of jobs in Midlands motor plants Mr Thomas Breakell, president of the Electricial, Electronics, Teecommunications and Plumbing Union, went to the meeting yesterday morning to urge acceptance.

to urge acceptance.

Afterwards he said his mem-Arterwards he said his members feared that anarchy would continue in the plant. They blamed management and rival unions. The management had failed to assert itself and had

been pressed into making wrong decisions.

"There is an urgent need for leaders of the unions involved to get to this plant as soon as possible to knock out a procedural agreement and to arrange for committees to cooperate in such a way that there is genuine cooperation

and not antagonism", he said.
"What is needed is a change in union representation inside the factory to eliminate a clash of personalities."

The second part of the peace formula, which was prepared by national leaders of the three unious, under pressure from an urgent meeting between the unions, management and the unions, management and the West Midlands Engineering Eufound to be cost-effective in American industry. ployers' Association.

Bur last night it became apparent that finding an accept-able dare was proving difficult.

One of the warehouses wrecked by explosions and fire at a whisky bond and container store in Renfrew yesterday.

New retirement offer for miners today

Labour Editor The National Coal Board today will improve its offer on early reviewent for miners, in an attempt to reach a com-promise egreement with the National Union of Mineworkers.

Sir Derek Ezra, chairman of the board, will head its negotaking ream. In a secret pitchead ballot last month miners voted overwhelmingly to give their leaders authority to organize industrial action if necessary.

There is much scope for compromise. In previous talks the board conceded the principle of early retirement, but put such stringent conditions on eligibility that its offer was rejected our of hand. Since the ballot the union has empha-sized its willingness to negotiate and today's talks are seen as the first step towards a

There are six main areas for 1 The phasing in of early retire-

ment. The minets want to go at 60 now; the board is expected to offer a scheme evolving towards that in annual tages, starting with retirement at 64 next summer.

2 The qualifying period. Pre-viously the coal board insisted on 25 years' service under-ground; that is likely to be

miners have said they will exclude white-collar workers, and it is expected that they will also leave our fitters, work-shop staff and others whose working conditions are compar-able with those elsewhere.

4 The cost of financing the scheme. Both sides agree that that cannot be met out of the industry's current earnings and would need an injection of government capital, almost cermainly running into tens of millions of pounds.

5 The effect on incomes policy. So far, the board has said that it cannot enter into a commitment to introduce early retire-ment at a set date because of pay restraint. That decision is pay research. Inact decision is likely to be waived as long as TUC leaders can be assured that it would not lead to similar demands in other

6 The difficulty of obtaining and training new manpower. In areas where there is a pre-ponderance of older men the rapid departure of these men would create serious production difficulties. The union's co operation in mitigating output losses will be sought.

The miners' original claim was for retirement on full pay at 60 from January 1 this year, falling to 55 by mid-1980. The board offered retirement at 64. on 25 years' service underground; that is likely to be lowered to 20 years.

3 The numbers involved. The 25 years' service underground.

Student tried to blackmail

A Persian student made love Pretending he was a police

his landlady, court told

Tories pledge fight on Welsh devolution

By David Leigh Political Staff

Political Staff
The Opposition will not be deterred by the Government's promise of referendums on devolution for Scotland and Wales from trying to remove Wales from the devolution Bill. The Conservatives' Welsh spokesman, Mr Nicholas spokesman, Mr Nicholas Edwards, made that clear yes-

terday, although he implied that the attempt would probably fail narrowly.

"The result will be very close", he told a party meeting at Haverfordwest. "The Government will have nothing like the majority they achieved at second reading." The second reading went through on a majority of 45 because some Labour rebels were mollified by

vote against the Bill. Some people argued that because referendums had been conceded the Bill had to be allowed to pass so that the people could have the final say, Mr Edwards said.

the referendum promise and

some Conservatives refused to

But that would mean Parlia-ment abdicating its responsibility, he continued. "Only Par liament can decide whether a workmanlike arrangement can be devised that is in the interests of the nation. It would be unthinkable that members of the House of Commons should vote in favour of

tunity to show greater sense

When the referendum came about the voters would no doubt be told by devolution supporters that the Bill was the most refined and perfected that Parliament could produce. To meet that argument Conserva-tives would have to do more than make minor modifications. "Believing as we do that the scheme proposed for Wales is fundamentally unsound, we have a duty to oppose it with

all our energy."

The referendum should no be seen as an excuse for reduc-ing the height of the parlia-mentary hurdle that the Bill had to overcome. "We in the Conservative Party will seek to safeguard the people of Wales from this monstrous folly ", he said. "We will use every parliamentary wearon that is avail-

Amendments have been tabled by the Shadow Cabinet to delete Wales from the Bill when the lengthy committee stage, taken by the whole House, begins after the Christmas recess next week.

Prince Consort 'denial A suggestion that the Oueen is to confer the title of Prince Consort on the Duke of Edin-burgh in her silver jubilee year was denied yesterday. Bucking-ham Palace said: "There is no foundation for the report today's Daily Mail."

Interviewer 'took job for which he interviewed'

By Maurice Corina Industrial Editor

Resentment is being expressed by the Institution of Professional Civil Servants over the way in which a member of an appointments interview board has been appointed to a post for which he had con-

sidered applicants

It is one of several grievances being voiced by the institution over the attitude of the Agricultural Research Council.

The civil servants' organization says that unless there is some response to its efforts to modernize industrial relations at the council and throughout its related research institutes and units it will adopt other tactics. If necessary complaints are to be taken up with the

Mr Fred Mullin, essistant general secretary of the institu-tion, which has three thousand members working for the re-search council and its related organizations, maintains that efforts to persuade the central management to negotiate on many day to-day issues, such as recruitment, promotions and redundancies, have been frus-trated. The staff side was never certain that agreements would

be implemented.

It is alleged that the research council does not fully observe Whirley Council procedures and allows its research directors to ignore central agreements if they wish.

An example quoted by Mr Mullin is that of a vacancy for a visits officer post, at higher scientific officer level. There were four applicants, two of whom were interviewed. One was told fairly quickly that he was not suitable and the other heard nothing for six weeks. Then, after the institution had brought pressure, he found that he was unsuccessful.

He was told that a senior professional scientific officer officer grade and take the post when he reaches retirement age next March. The union has since learnt that the man appointed had been a member of the interview board that considered the two applicants. Protests have led to a dispute

on how representations should be made, the union holding that the central management should handle the complaint rather than the director directly res ponsible for the appointment Mr Mullin said : "The matter rests there for the time being. but the damage that has been done to staff morale in the institute concerned will take a long time to heal." What would happen if the senior officer did take the post

in March was not clear.

Britain gets down to work again

returned to work in force yesterday and dispelled fears that reported a fairly normal turn-the extended Christmas holiday out. The National Coal Board would be followed by large-scale absenteeism on the first full working day of the new year. Factories, mines and steel-works reported a good working

stars to 1977, with absenteeism no more than would be expected on a normal Monday

apparently persuaded many people not to take an extra "impofficial" day off, which in some areas had come to be regarded as almost traditional. In some cases workers who used their Bank holiday day off last week started work on

Most coalfields in the Mid-

Teacher 'struck

boy for not

lands, where between 75 and 80 per cent of the workers rurned up on Monday, were back at work normally yester-

y Craig Seton The coal industry in Wales, Britain's working population which is usually badly affected eturned to work in force yes- by post-Christmas absenteeism. out. The National Coal Board expected expected absenterism to be about 18 per cent among the 31.000 miners: the average

weekly figure.

Most of the 66,000 miners in the Yorkshire and Humberside region began work again on Monday, and the rest returned yesterday. Absenteeism was

yesterday.

absenteeism was reported. But at East Moors, Cardiff, 600 craftsmen were on a 24-hour strike in a holiday payment dis-pute that stopped production. full production and no absentee-

Swan Hunter had an "excellent turn-out" at their shipyards on Tyneside and Teesside. Absenteeism was about 9 per

cent at the three Hoover fac-tories at Merthyr Tydfil and Dowlais in mid-Glamorgan. A spokesman said: "We have had nine days off but this did not Many workers were returning after up to a formight's holiday, which some industrialists feared would tarnish Britain's commercial reputation. But the prolonged "official" holiday houring co Durham returned car plant in the Official and the prolonged to the new year at a Leyland strike: The first strike to WOTK

normal, and 21 pits in neigh- of the new year at a Leyland bouring co Durham returned car plant in the Oxford area Most steelworks resumed depot at Horsepath (our Oxford work on Sunday and little Correspondent writes). Fifty distributors went on strike over a claim for payment while they were out for a fortnight, over The British Steel Corpora-were out for a formight, over tion's Sheffield area reported a strike which ended on Christ-

ism. The issue that prompted their ludustry in the North-east first stoppage is to be discussed reported a good return to work. with national officers.

Reluctance for Britain

people would not do extra work without extra pay to help to put the country back on its feet, according to a Gallup Poll commissioned for last

confidence that politicians could put things right.

Asked about their willingness to help to put the country back on its feet, 91 per cent would not willingly pay more income tax and 65 per cent would not accept lower living standards. Only 45 per cent thought everyone should work barder. ·The poll found agreement

(1) more incentives for workers; (2) work harder, produce more; (3) reduce union power; (4) cut the number of civil servants; (5) reduce or stop social security benefits.

tried to blackmail Mrs Sharp's; 5200, 547 and 520 from the busband, it was alleged.

The court was also told that The alleged offences were while on bail Mr Emami, who said to have been committed was overdrawn at the bank, between September 14 and three times blackmailed Miss October 16 last year.

Alvina Piramoun, aged 23, a The trial was adjourned until fellow Persian studying English (today.

six of the Ladbroke grandmaster tournament at Hastings vesterday centred on the efforts by Tony Miles, the British grandmaster, to continue his revival.

Jail for man who said wife was not working

From Our Correspondent

to his landlady after taking man and a karate expert, he mildly pornographic photographs of her, then tried to blackmail her, a court was told yesterday.

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The triang in the court was and a karate expert, he extracted £267 from her, leaving her penniless, "by a combination of lies, threats and yesterday. While living partly off his wife's earnings Dennis Reeves, field said. Mr Emami pleaded not guilty to five charges. One alleged that he demanded with menaces would show the pictures to her that he demanded with menaces husband, Mr Neil Butterfield, £50 from his landlady, and for the prosecution, said at another that he demanded a Exeter Crown Court. The similar sum from her husband. Magistrates' court yesterday. He signed statements that she was not working when she was regularly earning between £11 and \$720 a week as a machinist Mr. Six days later Mr Emami the demanded with menaces tried to blackmail Mrs Sharp's 5200, £47 and £20 from the Harry Ludlam stated for the prosecution

to which he was not entitled. The chairman, Mr Eric Jeftowhich he was not entitled. Iery, told Mr Reeves: "You he said: "You come to the he said: "You cannot blame us for trying to get a little bit extra. I know lots of people

who are fiddling you", Mr Lud-After Mr Reeves, who has

three children, had admitted that he had not been actively aged 30, an unemployed man, looking for a job for several tricked social security officers weeks he was jailed for six months. He pleaded guilty to fits, it was stated at Halifax

larly earning between £11 and and was fined £75 with £21 £20 a week as a machinist, Mr costs and ordered to repay £41, part of the money her husband obtained illegally.

live on your wife's carnings and her in defrauding the taxpayer."

paying attention A teacher made a sudden and violent attack on a boy aged 12 because he was not paying atten-tion during an English lesson,

it was stated at Leeds Crown
Court yesterday
Mr Malcolm Swift, for the
prosecution, said the boy was

shaken violently and struck across the back and shoulders. Wallace Edwin Cooper, aged 42, of Silverdale Road. Guiseley, near Leeds, denied assaulting Gary Johnson. Mr Swift said Mr Cooper,

teacher at Ryecroft Middle School, Leeds, told a class to turn to a particular page of a book but the boy was not listen-Mr Cooper pulled him from

his seat and marched him to the front of the class, where he told him to read a passage aloud. He refused and Mr Cooper hit him.

The trial continues today.

By Tim Devlin

Education Correspondent The danger that universities might be merged with other institutes of higher education

and brought more directly

and prognt more control was emphasized by Professor W. A. Campbell Stewart, Vice-Chan-cellor of Keele University, at the North of England Educa-

tion Conference, which opened at Madeley, Staffordshire, last

He said an expanded grants

committee representing all in-stitutes of higher education would be damaging and destroy

the close relationship between the University Grants Com-mittee and Britain's universi-

ties. Universities had been pres-

sed to agree to a grants committee representing non-university institutions as well. Professor Stewart said that

in higher education link

Many joining job-release scheme are unemployed

for the Government's job-release scheme, which came into force yesterday, are unem-ployed. The iditial response, which Mr Booth, Secretary of State for Employment, hopes will eventually reduce the un-employment figure by more than 60,000, may cause concern at the Department of Employ-

employment register. Anyone receiving the allow-

powers had been limited during the economic crisis. It would be

disastrous if the committee was

reduced to being an instrument of management by central government. He hoped its full

Professor Stewart observed that the new universities, which include his own, had contributed to the dilemma the universities face over manpower

The new universities had shown they could be sensitive to national needs while main-

raining traditional principles in the courses they developed, which were for the personal and social development of their

Subjects that led directly to vocation, such as engineering, teaching and medicine, should

not be taught solely as voca-tional courses. Students or

medicine should have the

opportunity of studying toe ideas and principles behind

the science of medicine.

the economy improves.

planning,

Under the scheme, which applies to assisted areas, people in their final year at work receive an allowance of £23 a week for giving up their jobs to make way for unemployed people. An employer has to agree to replace the person leav-ing with someone from the un-

and women aged 59, must agree not to take up any paid employ-Almost three-quarters of the Almost three-quarters of the 3,758 people who have applied for the Government's jobrelease scheme, which came into force yesterday, are unemployment, sickness, pension or other benefits al-

though supplementary benefit can be claimed. The scheme is also open to anyone in an assisted area who is on the unemployment register. The early applications show that many such people have decided to retire from un-

employment early.
In most cases there is no monetary advantage in remain-ing officially unemployed, com-pared with the £23 allowance. The department said that although the figure of 3,758 included many unemployed, it included nearly a thousand people, 26 per cent, who would

Tony Miles beats Farago in

Farzad Emani, aged 23, told

Mrs Denise Sharp, aged 25, that unless she handed over £50 he

Hastings chess Most of the excitement in round

Playing the Hungarian grand-master, Farugo, he tried a defen-sive system that is not very well known and caught his opponent in an unfavontable line, which soon gained him a pawn and later a second one. Farugo resigned when forced into a hopeles.

when forced into a hopeles, ending.

The other Brinsh players. Rumens and Welib, both played very steadily and the latter reached a drawn ending with the Yugoslav grandmaster. Damjantvin, after 40 moves, Rumens had the advantage over Kagan of two bishops against two knights at the adjournment, with distinct possibilities of winning on the resumption.

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Smyslov versus Adorjan and Kapian versus Kraidman were short draws, but the other Soviet player, Romanishin, had a difficult time against Vukeevi, who held on to a pawn sacrificed by Romanishin in the opening and might well have continued to seek winning chances in the ending instead of agreeing a draw.

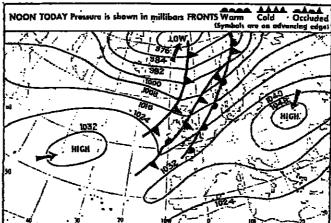
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Major-General Anthony Ward-Booth, aged 49, Director of the Army Air Corps, was seriously injured yesterday when the Gazelle helicopter he was piloting crashed and caught fire at Barton Stacey, itampshire.

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Weather forecast and recordings



Today

Sun rives: Sun vets: 8.6 am 4.7 pm Moon sets: Moon rises: 7.31 am 4.41 pm Fall 14000 : 12.10 pm.

Fall moon: 12.10 pm.

Highling sp: 4.37 pm to 7.35 am.

High water: London Bridge, 1.35
am, 6.5m (22.2ft): 1.54 pm, 6.7m
(22.0ft). Avoumouth, 6.56 am,
12.4m (40.7ft): 7.22 pm, 12.5m
(41.0t). Dover: 10.59 am, 6.3m
(20.6ft): 11.20 pm, 6.3m (21.2ft).

Holl, 6.3 am, 6.8m (22.2ft): 6.12
pm, 7.1m (23.2ft). Liverpool.

11.9 am, 8.9m (29.2ft): 11.27 pm.

8.5m (28.8ft). Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

A SW unstream covers the British Isles. A cold front will move SE across some N and W districts. London, SE, central S, E, NW, central N, NE England, East Anglia, Midlands, Lake District:

sing and a freland will have signly intervals and wintry slowers, but rain in NW Scotland later; overnight frost and fog patches.

Sea passages: S North Sea, Strates of Dover. English Channel (E): Wind Stv. moderate, becoming fresh; sea moderate, becoming rough.

St George's Channel: Wind S, veering W, strong to gale: sea Irish Sea: Wind S, reering W, strong to locally severe gale; sea very rough.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max. 6 am to 6 pm. 6°C (43°F); min. 6 pm to 6 am, 0°C (32°F). Humidity, 6 pm, \$1 per cent, Rain, 24 hr to 6 pm, nil. Sun. 24 hr to 6 pm. 2.8 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm. 1,036.7 millibars, steady. 1.000 millibars = 29.53in.

the committee, composed mainly of academics with expert knowledge of university matters and close relationships with univer-sities, was the envy of the world.

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reduce or worsen absenteeism."
At the Vauxhall car plants in Luton and Dunstable it was stated: "Things have started off pretty well." At Chrysler's

began yesterday at the parts men who select parts from the vast warehouse serving Leyland's worldwide network of

Four fifths of the British

night's Man Alive Report on BBC 2.

The poll, taken after Mr Healey had announced his latest measures and before Christmas, found that, while 77 per cent of those questioned thought they personally worked hard enough, 69 per cent thought other workers did not; 74 per cent had little or no

Asked about their willingness

between management and workers about the crder of priorities to put matters right: between

Man dead in car David Irish, aged 30, of Forde Avenue, Bromley, Greater Lon-don, employed by the Chase Manhartan Bank, London, was found dead in his car in woods

make way for someone seeking full-time employment. Fear of government control Elstree Studios back from brink of closure to new life.

The future of Elstree Studios, where it looked recently as if EMI, which owns the studios, said last night that a new said last night that a new financing system and spate of film-making had guaranteed its future "provided the scene does not change drastically". Elstree, an historic centre of the British film industry, faced closure in the wake of a £1m annual loss. However, it has just broken even after shedding all bur 48 of its 480 permanent

By Peter Godfrey

its financial obligations on a We had a terrible overhead load, which meant that we were carrying heavy losses whether productions were going on at Elstree or not ". Sir John said. "We could not have sustained the studios as a loss-maker on that scale, but we now have every intention of undertaking

all but 48 of its 480 permanent

staff and rearranging most of

a very full filming programme there. Two new films of Agatha

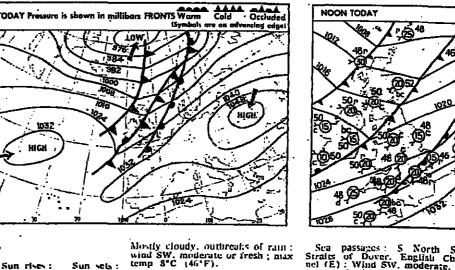
Christie thrillers are to be made

at Elstree, and work is progress-ing on Ken Russell and Sam the arc lights had gone out for Peckinpah films, the last time, has been assured. Mr Andrew Mitchell, the Sir John Read, chairman of studios managing director, took a calculated risk in reorganiz-ing them as the only alternative to closure. Scenery stores on the 28-acre site were rented out as warehouses, the weekly £25,000 wage bill was slashed, and heads of departments invited to form their own special-ized companies and lease their services to film-makers.

services to film-makers.
"In this way we are no longer saddled with prohibitive operating costs, and the companies have an incentive to use their skills to the full". Mr Mitchell said. Parr of the companies' profits are shared by EMI, which also charges film-makers a hair stage rent arkers a basic stage rent.

Mr Mitchell admitted that the workers' new freelance status exposed them to the economic whims of the film industry. "They have lost the security they had before", he said. "As against that many have doubled their earnings."

General hurt in



Channel Islands, SW England, Wales: Mostly cloudy, hill fog. outbreaks of rain; wind SW, moderate or fresh; max temp 10°C (50°F).

Isle of Man, Borders, Edin-

burgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, SW.

NW. NE Scotland, Glasgow, cen-

tral Highlands, Moray Firth, Argyll, Orkney, Shetland, N Ire-

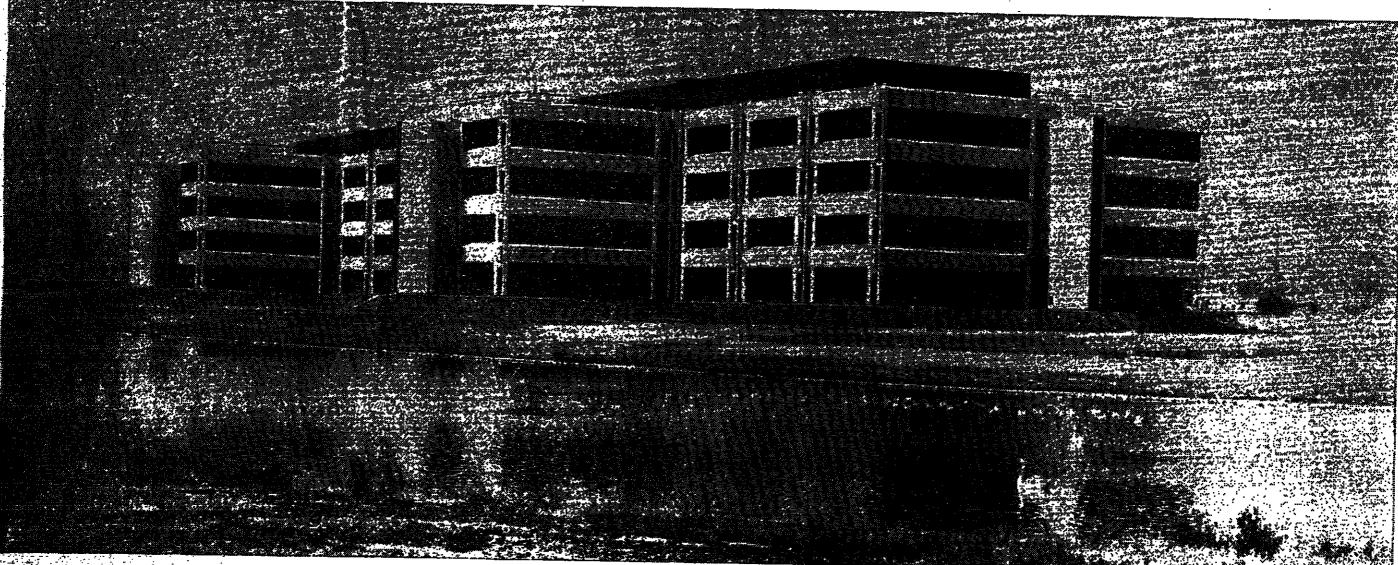
land: Rather cloudy, bright inter-vals, showers or rain, heavy ar times; wind SW, fresh; max

Outlook for tomorrow and Fri-

day: Rain in parts of England and Wales will clear, then mainly dry with sunny intervals: Scot-land and N Ireland will have

temp 10°C (50°F).

BM3 LATEST VOTE OFCONFIDENCEIN HEBRISH ECONOMY



NEW HEADQUARTERS MARKS IBM'S 25TH NNIVERSARY IN THE UK

IBM was established in Britain in 1951 - when ration books were more common than cheque books. IBM has been investing in Britain ever

Only last month IBM inaugurated its new UK headquarters, at North Harbour, Portsmouth. One of the largest fully air-conditioned buildings in the country, it houses 1,400 staff, of whom over 700 were recruited locally.

The new four-storey building is on a 125-acre site which IBM reclaimed from the sea as a major part of the Portsmouth Harbour reclamation scheme. It occupies 360,000 square feet more than twice the area of the previous London head office.

Adjacent to it is another new building - of 107,000 square feet - which houses a large computer complex, the European hub of an internal information system that links computers in major IBM locations around the world.

North Harbour is just one example of IBM's continuing investments in Britain. Three other building projects are under way:

The manufacturing plant at Greenock in Scotland is being extended. Other work over the next two years will bring the total building area to 600,000 square feet.

A new block at the Hursley development laboratory near Winchester – IBM's largest outside the USA – will be ready for use in the summer.

And due for completion at about the same time is the first phase of the company's new multi-million-pound Midlands Marketing Centre at Warwick.

In addition, a number of other projects are at the planning stage, including the recentlyacquired 37-acre site at Greenford, Middlesex.

These investments are all part of a record which, in 25 years, has seen IBM United Kingdom Limited grow from one office with under 100 employees to a direct employer of 13,000 people at over 40 locations throughout Britain.

IBM helps provide more jobs through its need for goods and services. In 1975, for example, this amounted to a purchase value of £50 million, from some 2,700 UK firms, large and small.

The company has also introduced new technology and associated skilis to the UK through its activities at the Hursley laboratories and the manufacturing plants at Greenock and Havant. And its products have offered British industry, commerce and government new and more effective ways of increasing productivity.



IBM's other locations throughout the United Kingdom: manufacturing plants, a development laboratory, a scientific centre, administrative offices, education centres and sales offices. IBM's activities include manufacture and marketing of computers, from a portable mode! to very large systems; and the marketing of advanced office products such as memory typewriters, dictating equipment and photocopiers.

25 YEARS OF GROWTH IN THE UNITED KINGDOM

- 1951 IBM United Kingdom Limited formed · Manufacturing started in temporary premises at Greenock, Scotland
- 1952 First IBM computer installed in the UK 1954 • Greenock manufacturing plant opened
- 1,000th employee joined the company 1958 • Development laboratories established at Hursley, Winchester
- 1961 Turnover exceeded £4 million
- 1964 Greenock plant extended 1965 • Exports exceeded £10 million
 - 5,000th employee joined the company

- 1967 Manufacturing began at Havant,
 - · New head office occupied at Chiswick, London
 - Second Greenock plant extension opened IBM Information Services Limited established
- Turnover exceeded £90 million 1968 • Education Centre opened at Sudbury,
- Middlesex 1969 · Scientific Centre opened at Peterlee,
 - Co. Durham • Exports exceeded £30 million
- 10,000th employee joined the company
- 1971 Turnover exceeded £170 million 1975 · General Business Group formed in the UK, establishing a major new group to service office equipment and small computer users
- Exports exceeded £170 million Turnover exceeded £390 million 1976 • New headquarters opened at North

'We need to re-awaken our slumbering selfconfidence as a nation!

Bad news, it is said, travels fast. In this country at the moment, bad news seems to be the only kind of news that travels at all.

Businessmen and politicians tend to lay the blame for this at the doors of the media. But perhaps the media are guilty only of reflecting what has recently become one of the country's most debilitating characteristics - a destructive habit of self-denigration.

Of course our conditions are difficult at the moment. Certainly the immediate economic prospects are far from promising. Unquestionably we need to increase industrial investment and responsiveness to the needs of the marketplace, and to reduce unemployment. We also need to spend more, rather than less, on the education and training of our youth, to help them make the world a better place to inhabit in the future. And we need to make the present more secure for our disabled and aged.

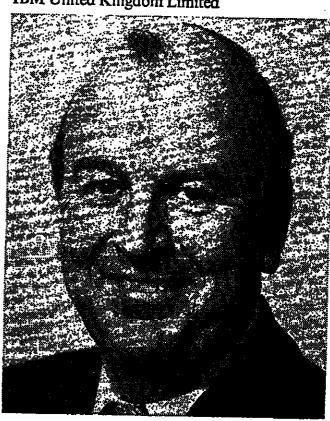
But we shall not achieve these objectives until we restore overseas confidence in us as a nation, and we shall not do that until we regain confi-

dence in ourselves. We need to re-awaken our slumbering selfconfidence as a nation of industrial and mer-

cantile innovators, and stifle our aptitude for placing the responsibility for our shortcomings at everyone's door but our own. We must revive a belief in our own ability and so restore our faith. We need to marshal our strengths and resources for success.

Both Government and industry will have to play their part in this. But I believe that the overall national interest will ultimately prevail. Perhaps then, good news will begin to travel

E. R. NIXON, CBE, Managing Director IBM United Kingdom Limited





Demand for

EEC farm

From Hugh Clayton Agricultural Correspondent

Farm prices in the EEC should be held down to cut food

surpluses, a senior British official in charge of domestic

agricultural policy said at the Oxford Farming Conference yes-

prices below those in the Com-

Mr Brian Gardner, a journalist based in Brussels, said reduction of the difference

between the green pound and sterking by only half would add

10p to the price of a half pound of butter, 6p to a pound of beef, and 14p to a pint of milk. Rising prices threatened the size

the consumer market for

Relations between vegetable

growers and processers were discussed by Mr A. H. Coburn,

managing director of Findus, the frozen food company. Some-

times there was disagreement about contract prices, he said. "What I do not think we

should be expected to take into

account, or even sympathize with, is the farming com-munity's blinkered desire to

make the occasional quick buck", he said. Some growers had started

processing to take advantage of the increasing number of home freezers, Mr Coburn said.

its products."
Dr. Dale Hathaway, Director of the International Food Policy Research Institute, in Washing

ton, said the framework for

farmers in developed countries

would be determined by ways

in which growing food deficits

were met in the less developed.

demand in the future was clear.

repeated. Developed countries,

access to their protected markets for tropical products

such as sugar and vegetable oils

which competed with home out

as apathy by the enthusiastic but sometimes insensitive immi-

grant. The effect is to increase the difference between the two

groups."

The report says an increased rate on second homes has long been discussed. It would prob-

ably not reduce the number of

holiday homes by very much but the extra money could be

used to ease the housing.

A sales tax on bouses sold for

other than full-time use would be a further means of discrim-

incontestable.

cuts in

prices

HOME NEWS

An eventful year for Bernard Leach

From Kenneth Gosling

The founder of one of the world's most famous craft pot-teries, Bernard Leach, is to cele-brate his ninetieth birthday today with a party for 400 people at St Ives, Cornwall.

There has rarely been such a year as this for Mr Leach, with his memoirs coming out in the autumn and an exhibition of his work at the Victoria and Albert Museum from March until May. Since the beginning of last summer he has seen two or

three visitors a week attracted to his home by curiosity or by his reputation. He talks about pots and books, sitting in an easy chair in his flat near the beach, a cassette recorder by beach, a cassence recorder by his side. Japanese dolls along the windowledge, paperbacks of his first published work, A Potter's Book, on a shelf near

Mr Leach, who is now almost blind, enjoys the sea. "The tide comes right up to our wall", he said. "It goes out 200 yards and has a rise and The evenings he keeps for his friends, and he has many of them, writers, artists and musicians. He has books recorded on cassette tapes, which he listens to during sleepless

Bernard Leach tells of his youth as a "lonely kid". His mother died giving birth to him and his father remarried when he was four. He remem-bers doffing his cap to Queen Victoria as she rode in her carriage round the Home Park,

He went to the Slade at 16, studying under Henry Tonks. It was not a career his father would have chosen: "He was one of Queen Victoria's colonial



Mr Bernard Leach relaxing at his home at St Ives.

judges and he looked askance at that ", Mr Leach said, adding, but he was not an unkind

wielded a scapel, so he came down on our ill conceived efforts. We respected him for it, and I do to this day.
"Then I ran into Omar

Khayyam, translated by Fitz-gerald. There were lines that caught the imagination and I began to think for myself about the questions it raised. It became a long process: 10 years or so learning of the comparative approach to truth and beauty in different parts of the world. It began when I went out east at the age of 22."

In Japan he was introduced to Kenzan, last of a line of famous potters. He taught him man.

"Tonks had been a first-class surgeon and he became a time, since he was very keen, to second-rate painter. But as he wielded a scapel, so he came of the home he had built for down on our ill conceived \$200. Kenzan made him a kilu

and got him a wheel.
"And there I was, making a pot with the sort of enthusiasm such as this world seldom sees. My first child was born and I was torn between my first child and my first kiln."

His first pots were exhibited and he sold them for 2s 6d and ss; the prices went up with each exhibition and he came back to England with £1,000. He accepted an invitation from a woman in St Ives who wanted a potter

in her craft guild and, with the help of Shoji Hamada, founded the Leach Pottery there. That was in 1920 and it is still there, with his son David in charge. Mr Leach, for some part of his life an agnostic, was conver-ted to the Baha'i faith, which he feels is what the world

"A United Nations without any arms except the police of the world to keep government, that is what I want to see", he

tranquility. He chose the ground for his father's busial and the stone is still there. "I shall be doing that for my own presently, a sensible thing to

WEST EUROPE

Falangists join call for political amnesty to help Spain 'advance on road to democracy'

Mr Brian Hayes, Deputy Secretary (Agriculture) at the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, called for voting age lowered to 18; representation in Parliament for culsentation in Farhament for the tural and neighbourhood assoc-iations; abolition of the National Movement, the political organization in which they were incorporated by General Franco; elimination of the re-valuement for political parties consistent downward pressure on real prices", and said that unless prices were reduced, production would not go down Community prices, especially for beef and milk, had been ser unnecessarily high. "It is 10 quirement for political parties to seek official approval and register; and amnesty for everyone's advantage to avoid political prisoners.

that mistake in the future." The appeal for amnesty coincided with other similar appeals Mr Hayes said devaluation of the "green pound", the device with which EEC farm prices are from many political organiza-tions, and with a continuing expressed in sterling, would raise food prices and cut conseries of demonstrations, particularly in the Basque country. sumption, and might prove in-flationary through its poten-However the Falangist appeal had little else in common with the demands of the demonstra-tors. The idea of parliamentially adverse impact counter-inflation policies. His speech gave powerful entary representation on anything dorsement to the Government's policy of opposing EEC price rises that stimulate farm surpluses of the type that have been sold to the Soviet Union at

but a proportional or geographical basis is a clear throwback to General Franco's so-called "organic democracy"; and the interest of the Falange in amnesty seems to have deamnesty seems to have developed only since Senor Suarez's Government at last bemunity.

Mr Hayes said that farm price levels in the rest of the EEC were so much higher than those in Britain that there was scope for reducing them without cramping the ability to enlarge food output here. He thought the case for such enlargement incontectable. gan to arrest right-wing thugs as

well as leftists.
As for the abolition of the National Movement, hard-core Falangists have always favoured tha, if only in secret, because the movement absorbed them

offices.

The weekly, which began publishing only last September, has angered right-wingers repeatedly because of its pro-Basque editorial line. After a recent issue included a huge fold-out Basque flag, someone daubed the walls of its offices

daubed the walls of its offices with slogans such as "nationalistic pigs".
Two members of the staff

recently received written death threats from "the Adolf Hitler

commando group".

Also in the Basque country
the mayors of 21 towns in the
province of Guipuzcao signed a province of Guipuzcao signed a letter of protest against the arrest of Señorita Mirencu Purroy, publisher of another Basque magazine, Punta y Hora de Euskalerria. Señorita Purroy was imprisoned on December 27 and charged with insulting the armed forces by publishing a reader's letter which included criticism of alleged recent houselfts.

trical Company and the Dow Chemical Company was evacuated vesterday after bomb threats from anonymous callers. There had been similar fake bomb scares in the past at the

building.
In Madrid a select committee and diminished their influence, of nine representives of the

From Harry Debelius

Meanwhile right-wing extremists reacted to the rash of tremists reacted to the rash of tremists reacted to the rash of the fascist-rooted Falange surprisingly joined the clamour for a broader amnesty today. The self-styled "authentic sector" of the party sent a letter to Señor Adolfo Suárez, the Prime Minister, listing five conditions for advancement "along the road to democracy".

The Falangists wanted the voting age lowered to 18; representation in Parliament for the party sent a letter to the rash of the editors of the Basque weekly magazine to negotiate with the Government about the coming parties to negotiate with the Government about the coming of the Basque weekly magazine to spanish Communist Party was represented by Señor Santiago (Carrillo, no longer in hiding after his brief spell in the Carabido, no longer in hiding after his brief spell in the Carabido, no longer in hiding after his brief spell in the Carabido, no offices.

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The self-styled "authentic sector the north with new death the north with new dea a charge of "linegal association". At earlier meetings of the committee a chair had always been left vacant for Señor Carrillo.

Señor Carrillo.

Madrid, Jan 4.—Señor Carrillo told reporters before the meeting started that the Communists would not be an obstacle to talks with the Gov-

spring. Señor Suarez has repeatedly said he would not negotiate directly with the Communists but was willing to talk about electoral procedures with the opposition group of which the Communists were part. The meeting today was ex-

pected to arrange a compromise whereby the Communists would allow themselves to be represented by other opposition leaders. The Supreme Court today an-

nounced the official and final results of the referendum which on December 15 overwhelmingly recent brutality.

In Madrid a building housing the offices of the Siemens Electronic posed plan for parliamentary

elections this year.
Eligible voters numbered
22,644,290. Those who cast ballots were 17,599,562. Votes in favour of the elections totalled 16.573, 180. Votes against were 450,102, and blank votes 523,457. A further 52,823 votes were invalidated.—Reuter and AP.

who broke court promise is freed

Mr Alan Gibson, aged 28, who was jailed last Friday for breaking a court promise to stay away from his former wife, was freed by the London Divorce

Court yesterday. Counsel for Mrs Eileen Gibson, aged 37, told Judge White:
"She wishes me to ask you to
take a charitable view of the

Mr Gibson, a train driver, had broken his undertaking not to go to the former matrimonial home in West Hendon except for access to his daughter, aged five, it was stated. Mrs Gibson had cut her wrists after his

Mr Gibson will now live with his father at Hatfield, Hertford

Town's busmen strike

Thousands of people walked West Midlands, yesterday after more than 280 busmen had gone on strike in protest over the alleged lack of heating in

Woman escapes

Judith Davies, aged 20. sentenced to three years' imprisonment at Swansea Crown Court in July, 1975, for theft, burglary and assault, has escaped from Styal Prison, Wilmslow, Styal Prison, Wilmslow, Cheshire. She was first missed on Monday.

Dry dock flooded

The Fire Brigade was called to Portsmouth dockyard yesterday to pump out seawater that partly flooded a dry dock in which the frigate Lowestoft is being refitted.

Station for sale

A red-brick railway station built by the village green at Stoke by Clare, Suffolk, in 1870 is for sale from British Rail

Communion theft

for £20,000.

A woman's handbag, valued with contents at £25, was stolen from a church pew while its owner was taking Holy Communion in Holy Rood Church, Swindon, Wiltshire.

Former husband | Academic link with politicians mooted to examine country's economic state

By Peter Hennessy A policy institute modelled on the Brookings Institution in Washington may be established in London by the end of this year. Its purpose would be to bring together policy-makers and academics to examine the economic and social difficulties facing Britain.

The moving spirit behind the The moving south becaute the "British Brookings", as it has become known, is Professor Ralf Dahrendorf, Director of the London School of Economics and a former EEC commissioner. He has made clear that he does not wish to run the proposed institute becaused the proposed institute himself and has reaffirmed his commitment to the LSE, to which he was appointed for 10 years in

The cost of the London institute, which would be housed within easy reach of West-minster and Whitehall, is esti-mated at £1m a year. Professor Dahrendorf, a trustee of the Ford Foundation, is confident that the money can be raised from British, European and American sources provided that suitable men and women can be found to staff the institute. It would have a permanent bead, a board of 10, and up to 80 fellows and visiting fellows. Among the areas of public policy it might examine are the use of North Sea oil revenue permanently to reorganize the British economy; and political and social issuies such as devolution, industrial democracy and the possible contents of a Bill of Rights.

From John Chartres



Professor Dahrendorf : Policy institute plan.

Such a "British Brookings would form an independent source of advice for British governments, of whatever political complexion. One of its first initiatives would probably be to prepare a contemporary version of the Beveridge report of 1942, which provided the basis of the postwar welfare state. It would examine social security, unemployment and health provision and related taxation

policies.

In a discussion document circulated within Whitehall and the academic community last year Professor Dahrendorf "What is needed is a meeting place which is also a option).

The report confirms that local

people in a low-wage area are

capacity and going prices for

small houses in satisfactory condition standing at about

Terraced houses in poor condition are fetching about 16,000; \$10,000 is the usual price for one in good condition. The report identifies "Akenfield"

situations in many villages.
"As 'offcomers' becomes

resident they set up their own activities, which for reasons of background and education are

Levy proposed on holiday homes in ghost villages

place of scholarship, and one which attracts the best brains

Its primary purpose would be to bridge the gap between those has suffered in recent years.

The Social Science Research Council, which might be involved in the venture, has set up a subcommittae of its research initiative board to examine a variety of proposals for an institute of policy studies. Its members are Mr a Cambridge social scientist, and Mr Humphrey Cole, director general of economics and resources at the Department of

The possibilities the subcommittee is considering include the devolution option of three institutes in London, Scotland and Wales; assisting and enlarging certain existing inter-disciplinary teams in universities, and an institute attached to London University to com-bine teaching and research. It also considers a London "Brookings" separate from the

in the country as well as those in positions of major responsi-bility."

to bridge the gap between those engaged in research and analysis and politicians and civil servants responsible for formulating public policy. Professor Dahrendorf believes that the need for a "British Brookings" is made more acute by the political instability and economic decline from which Britain has suffered in recent years.

Derek Robinson, chairman of

university (the Dahrendorf

"It is typically found that in

those villages in the national park where more offcomers live, particularly in parishes in south Lakeland, new village

activities are started—ramblers, naturalists, and sailing, for example—which previously had not been formally organized village activities, and which local people do not attend.

"The newcomers also tend

Tough talks ahead on **EEC** posts

From Our Own Correspondent

Brussels, Jan 4 Mr Roy Jenkins, president. designate of the European Commission, slipped quietly into Brussels today in preparation for his formal assumption of office on Thursday. Mr Christopher Tugendhat, who is to be the second British Com-

to be the second British Commissioner, also errived in the Belgian capital.

Mr Jenkins takes over from the incumbent, M François-Xavier Ortoli, of France, on Thursday morning. After a short meeting with members of the Commission staff, he will make a statement to the oress "What was forgotten was that the frozen food market has ex-panded so rapidly because of the consistency and quality of make a statement to the press and then go into couclave with other members of the new Com-mission to sort out the port-folios. Their allocation is expected to be amounced by

Mr Jenkins that evening. The bargaining over the port-folios is likely to be lively. Mr Jenkins's preferences, though influential, will not necessarily prevail since, ultimately, each job is decided by majority vote

The pattern of increasing of the 13-man Commission.

Six members of the new Commission, including M Ortoli, are members of the present one, which formally completes its four-year term of completes its four-year term of the present one, which formally completes its four-year term of the present one, which they said was so bad that escaping had become a child's game. but stimuli towards increased output, which had been present in the 1960s, would not be including those, such as Britain, which imported much food, would have to help in stock-piling grain to meet shortages

PLO blames Zionists for Paris murder

From Paul Martin Paris, Jan 4

An Arab shot dead outside his bookshop in Paris last night was the victim of a "Zionist plot", the Palestine Liberation Organization said today.

In a statement issued as police were trying to track down the gunmen, the PLO office in Paris declared that Mr Mahmoud Saleh, a senior member of the organization in France, was the fourth victim of an Israeli assassination cam-

Mr Saleh, a 38-year-old

Mauritanian, took over the PLO office in Paris after Mr Mahmoud Hamchari, a high-ranking member of the Palestinian intelligence network, was assassinated in December, 1972. He held the post for the parish before resiming some months before resigning because of his affiliations with the Rejection Front within the

Palestmian movement. The police are working on the theory that he was killed by a Zionist activist movement. However, it has not been dis-counted that he may have been the victim of a factional feud

Anger over jail security as

the men. As the hunt went on, the escape threatened to develop

Italian prisoners vanish

Treviso. Jan 4.—Thirteen
Italian prisoners appeared to cluded an alleged left-wing urban guerrilla, Signor Prosday after breaking out of jail pero Gallinari, and a convicted here on Sunday night. Police murderer, Signor Domenico said they had lost all trace of Nanoli who was recently transferred to Treviso from Florence, where he was said to have led

a jail revolt.
The Treviso prison governor. Signor Giancarlo Severini, said he had offered to resign, but a Justice Ministry official said the resignation would not be accepted.—Reuter.

in poor countries. Farmers in such countries Winister resigns after son would have to accept greater is charged with bank raids

From Our Own Correspondent Lisbon, Jan 4 Dr Walter Rosa, Portuguese

Minister of Industry and Tech-nology since last July, has portfolios, the other being Dr resigned for family reasons, Antonio Barreto, Minister of according to a Government Commerce and Tourism, who statement last night. Dr Antonio took over agriculture last Sousa Gomes, the Minister of November after the resignation Economic Co-ordination, has of Senhor Lopes Cardoso taken over the portfolio tempor-

arily, it said. Press reports today linked Dr Rosa's resignation with the arrest of his 27 year old son, who is accused of two minor bank raids in the Lisbon area.

The Government statement gave no further explanation. ut Dr Mario Soares, the Prime

Minister, who accepted with regret Dr Rosa's departure, praised the 55-year-old Socialist

minister's "high sense of dignity" in choosing to go.

Dr Gomes is one of two

The blow of Dr Rosa's departure comes at a time when the Government economic team has been under criticism for failing to give the country a stronger lead in the economic crisis. Dr Soares has denied planning Cabinet changes and the economic posts have always been the most difficult ones for the Socialists to fill. But a reshuffle now looks increasingly

European unity prize for

The award has been created the FVS Foundation of Hamburg as a memorial to Dr Joseph Bech, Luxembourg statesman and protagonist of European unity, and is designed a distinction for signal services and personal engage-ments in the cause of Europe."

The Joseph Bech prize carries an award of DM 20,000 (£5,000) which Mrs Williams shares with a Swiss scholar and university teacher, Professor Henri Rieben i of Lausanne.

Press accused of damaging race relations Mr Evans says that in the given in a healthy democracy.

caster after a survey of "ghost villages" in the Lake District.

A team from Lancaster Uni-

National Park one is a holiday

home. In some valleys, such as Eskdale and Patterdale, the proportion is one in three, and some hamlets housed one only

permanently resident family.

versity, after a survey commis-sioned by the Lake District Terrac Special Planning Board, has reported that of every 10 £10,000 houses in the Lake District one in

Newspapers are accused today of contributing to an "unpre-cedented deterioration in race relations" in Britain last year. The accusation is made in a Rumnnymede Trust booklet, Publish and Be Damned? written by Mr Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent of It says that newspapers have

sometimes played up a racial matter on a news page while playing it down in the opinion column.

Man married so that he could stay in Britain

A Pakistani married a shop assistant whom he had met only once, although she was five months pregnant and could not speak his language, an Immi-gration Appeals Tribunal was told in London yesterday.

The Home Office alleged that the marriage had been one of convenience, to enable Mohammed Arhtar Butt, aged 29, to stay in Britain. The tribunal agreed and rejected Mr Butt's appeal against a deportation order.

The tribunal was told that Mr Butt came to Britain last May with a visitor's permit

future the press must give more sensitive treatment to "modern, multiracial Britain". He advo-cates the use of more black and

Asian journalists as a way of helping to improve race relations.

"Negative censorship" is no answer, he says. Hiding facts about race difficulties or even putting a gloss on them will not make them go away.

By Our Transport

Correspondent

Minister to join public

in transport debate

State for Transport, is to take part in a public participation exercise on transport policy in

Transport industry leaders, including Mr Peter Parker, chairman of British Rail, and

union leaders, including Mr Jack Jones and Mr Sidney Weighell, have been invited to

take part, but the most important contribution is expected to

come from 50 citizens of Man-chester who will represent con-

Manchester next month.

Higher rates and a sales tax being almost entirely priced on holiday homes are among out of the housing market, the suggestions put forward at Langap between their mortgage

But there is a crucial difference between the portrayal of facts from differing points of view and the distortion of them for political propaganda.
"Racial peace and justice in

Britain depend upon the creation of understanding. The journalist has a responsibility to create understanding. The journalist cannot escape part Facts on race matters and of the responsibility for justice opinions about them should be and racial peace."

They will spend the previous

weekend at a seminar consider-ing how they want transport policy on railways, buses, roads, freight, and urban traffic

to work

The venture is being organized jointly by Salford University's department of civil engineering and transport planning, and the Greater Manchester Council for Voluntary Service, whose chairman, Mr Jack Goldberg, said yesterday:
"We want to bring people together for a meaningful discussion on transport policy that

sion on transport policy that goes beyond statements of

vested interest.

Tameside schools plan to increase parental control By a Staff Reporter

The education committee at Tameside, Greater Manchester, which figured in last year's dispute over comprehensive education, is to be asked to endorse a scheme that will give parents virtual control of the governing bodies of about 90 schools.

to the committee next Tuesday and to the full council next and to the full council next month. It envisages governing bodies for grammar, secondary modern and comprehensive schools consisting of five elected members, eight parents, one teacher and one pupil. The present composition is 12 elected members, one teacher, one parent and one pupil. one parent and one pupil. au
In junior and primary to
schools the new constitution po

Gun warning by police chief

Gun owners were warned yesterday by Mr Stanley Bailey, Chief Coustable of Northum-bria, to take care of them "In 1976 almost a hundred firearms were stolen from homes, business premises, shops, and vehicles, and not all of them have been recovered , he said.

the Labour Party on Tameside. Mr Donald Thorpe, chairman of the education committee, said that that would have happened this summer in any case because of the change in control on the council to the The scheme will be presented

quite different from the public social events traditionally organized in villages. to withdrawal on the part of locals, which is then dismissed as apathy by the enthusiastic

Lectures are to be organized next month to help parents who may be elected on to governing bodies to understand the niceties of procedure.
Although the governing bodies would be given greater autonomy, they would still have to operate within council policy.

Tests on gas heater safety

investigated. which is doing experiments, thinks some controls may be

to take over positions on the parish council and the parochial church council. Often this leads full-time resident. Paris car parks sue city for £3m Paris, Jan 4.-The owners of

12 Paris underground car parks are suing the city for 25m francs (E3m), alleging that police are not giving out enough parking tickets to stop people and one pupil.

If the proposals are approved they will finally remove control to their livelihood, the garage of school administration from the Labour Party on Tourisian parking tickets to stop people leaving cars in the streets.

Police lendence is a menace to their livelihood, the garage owners claim. They are eaching the Labour Party on Tourisian parking tickets to stop people leaving cars in the streets.

The Department of Prices and Consumer Protection,

towards the town. Fifty-five years ago a similar landslip destroyed three-quarters of San

grone, while in many areas water, a precious commodiry in Sicily, is desperately short because landslips have broken or damaged the pipelines.

Sicily is suffering from a serious attack of its centuriesold disease, a slow geological disintegration caused partly by its natural formation and to a larger extent, by the thought-lessness of man. What was once the granary of the Roman

slip 500 yards wide moves down Carapezzo of Palermo Univer-

Mrs Williams

Hamburg, Jan 4.—Mrs Shirley Wilkiams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, is to receive the first award presented by a West German foundation for promoting European unity.

Five ways to save Venice

of water through the three en-trances to the Venice lagoon

Rome, Jan 4.-Five Italian Minister. One consortium inconsortia have submitted schemes for controlling the flow of water through the three envers ago the use of inflatable rubber dams to block the lagoon entrances when exceptionally

trances to the Venice lagoon to try to reduce the regular flooding which is damaging the city, the Public Works Ministry announced today.

It gave no details of the schemes, and said they would be judged by a committee to be appointed by the Public Works

Trances to the Venice lagoon rubber dams to block the lagoon entrances when exceptionally tides threatened to flood the city.

Controlling the lagoon entrances is seen by experts as one of the keys to saving Venice from progressive deterioration.

—Reuter.

Landslip threat to Sicilian towns

Rome, Jan 4

In four Sicilian towns families huddle in the pouring rain downwards, threatening to crush their homes like matchwood. Round them the earth has split open into large crevasses. some 30ft deep. Masses of rock and mud are swept towards the valleys as the water gouges new channels for itself in the

The safety of certain gas heaters with pilot lights that can be blown out by draughts, threatened by three huge landallowing gas to escape is being slips, which are undermining the outskirts of the hill town

Fratello and the townspeople while vast slabs of mountainside vation work which had been slide slowly and inexorably promised at the time. There are more landslips at the ceramics town of Calta-

of Coltanisserta.

The inhabitants of San
Fratello, on the north coast, are
watching anxiously as a landwatching anxiously as a landCaranezza of Palermo Univer-

upset.

trolled building speculation, wholesale deforestation and a lack of an adequate policy for land conservation. The island lacks even an upto-date geological map. "The one we have is more than a hundred years old and is only of year to science historia".

of use to science historians."
Such a map would hardly be a luxury in an island where about 40 per cent of the territory is listed as subject to land slips, 30 per cent as unstable and only 30 per cent as stable. A period of heavy rain, such as has fallen in Sicily over Christmas and the new year, in-evitably brings tragedy. In the past four years 26 people have died and willions of pounds worth of damage has been done by landslips and flooding,

Europe's Car of the Year Award goes to Tomorrow's Car.



The new Rover 3500 has been voted "Car of the Year" for 1977.

When Spencer King, the man responsible for design and development of Leyland Cars' products, heard the news, he said something that we think you ought to hear:

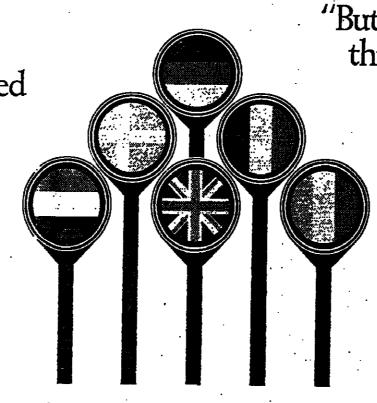
"I'm absolutely delighted that the Rover has been given this accolade, all the more so because it is given by 49 judges from 6 European countries.

"It would have been easy for the Rover to win if it only had to compete with British cars: the

fact that a European jury gave us the verdict against new cars from leading American and Continental manufacturers is massively encouraging to anyone who cares about the British car industry.

"But the most important thing about this award is that it reflects the new attitudes and objectives at Leyland. From drawing board to production line, we're seeking to build all our cars to the same exacting standards of design and quality of manufacture.

"This award is a very pleasing beginning for our new company."



CAR OF THE YEAR 1977



Mr Rabin takes up task of steering Israel out of crisis

From Eric Marsden

Mr Yitzhak Rabin, the Prime Minister of Israel, was today asked by President Katzir to form a new Government. Eis mission has been overshadowed by the suicide last night of Mr Abraham Ofer, the Housing Minister, and will be delayed until after Mr Ofer's state fun-

eral in Tel Aviv tomorrow.

Mr Rabin is fulfilling constitutional requirements by agreeing to try to form an alternative government but he is un-likely to complete the task. His efforts are being overtaken by the passing of a Bill dissolv-ing the knesset and setting May 17 as the date for a gen-

When this is settled Mr Rabin and his remaining ministers will become a caretaker government until the election. Some will have to double up to fill the vacated portfolios of Mr Ofer, the three National Religious Party ministers who were expel-led, and the two Independent Liberal ministers who resigned. The death of the Housing Minister, which has shocked Israel society, has also temporarily cooled election fever. Gen-eral Ezer Wiezman, the cam-paign manager for the rightwing Likud Party, said that Mr Ofer was "the victim of a system" of which "very unfortunately" he was a part. But Likud would not make use of the tragedy in its election cam-

paign.

Mr Arie Eliav, a former sectetary-general of the Labour Party and an old friend of Mr Ofer, said that when he spoke to Mr Ofer a few days ago he to Mr Oter a tew days ago ne seemed "a broken man, deserted by his so-called friends in the Government". Mr Ofer had told him: "I am sinking in the mud of libel and insults. My friends are not helping me." Members of Mr Ofer's family accused the press of causing his death by repeated demands for investigation of his activities when he was director of Shikun when he was director of Shikun Ovdim, the housing corporation of Histadrut, the labour organization. But reports today claim that it was the realization that

hat drove Mr Ofer to despera-

called in for questioning. New caled in for diestioning. New evidence on land deals by Shikun Ovdim had been given by a lawyer, Mr Haim Goshen. No final decision had been taken, but Mr Ofer is reported to have been depressed on dis-covering that Mr Rabin was not prepared to issue a declaration in his favour but preferred to allow the process of law to take

its course.

Mr Ofer, who until recently had been a key figure in Labour Party politics, was also upset at having been left out of the team organizing Labour's election campaign campaign.

The new testimony by Mr Goshen is understood to relate to further land deals between Shikun Ovdim and Arab smallholders, not only in the eastern suburbs of Jerusalem, but also at Nebi Samwil in the West Bank.

Leading newspapers temper expressions of sorrow with warnings that Mr Ofer's suicide should not be used to prevent thorough investigation of accusations of wrongdoing. However, Davar, the organ of His tadrut, urges the police and the press to show restraint.

Mr Rabin will eulogize Mr Ofer at the Tel Aviv municipality, where his body is to lie in state, and at the graveside in a Tel Aviv constant.

in state, and at the graveside in a Tel Aviv cemetery.

Permission for the minister to be buried in a cemetery was given today after a meeting of the Tel Aviv rabbinate and the city's burial society. Amid some disquiet in the religious community, the rabbis had been charged with the task of finding'a way round the tradition that suicides may not be buried in consecrated ground.

in consecrated ground.

Last night the Prime Minister asked Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren to find a way to hold a state funeral inside the cemetery. Colonel Gad Navon, the Army's chief chaplain, today ruled that "from the moment of pulling the trigger until the moment of death there was enough time for regret and repentance. . . And so it does not have to be considered suicide and he can be buried

properly."
This view has been accepted he could not expect the support of Mr Rabin and his colleagues by Chief Rabbi Goren and the Sephardic Chief Rabbi Oyadia Yosef. Other rabbis agreed that mercy should be shown in the case of Mr Ofer because of the rently the disclosure that police terrible anguish he most inquiries had reached a point suffered in the last most where Mr Ofer was likely to be before the act of suicide. terrible anguish he must have suffered in the last moments

Christian Beirut stops work in mourning

perrut, Jan 4.—Christian east of the city to Muslim west Beirut was paralysed by a strike Beirut were blocked by burning today in protest against the deaths of 35 person to the city to Muslim west Beirut were blocked by burning today in protest against the deaths of 35 people in a huge car bomb explosion, the worst single act of violence since most fighting in the civil war ended

The bomb went off in a busy reet outside the headquarters the right-wing Phalangist Party's security service last night. It shattered five buildings in the vicinity and reduced 17 cars to charred, twisted piles of blood-stained metal.

A woman Phalangist pointed today to what remained of a yellow saloon car and said: "A couple and their three sons died in this." A human finger was wedged into a crack in the

Except for a few greengrocers, butchers and chemists. all shops in eastern Beirut were closed. So were the schools. With tension running high, streets were almost deserted and some of the main roads

tyres.

The explosion left a hole 8ft deep and about 16ft in diameter and shattered window panes as far as 500 yards away.

It came one month after three people were killed by a car bomb planted near the home of Mr Kamal Implicat, the left. wing leader, in western Beirut. The Phalangist radio reported that a man carrying explosives was detained by militiamen while attempting to cross into eastern Beirut today and had been handed over to troops of the predominantly Syrian Arab peacekeeping force which is supervising the civil war truce. The radio also said snipers from the leftist-dominated suburb of Shiyah had opened fire on a Christian district. There was no immediate confirmation of this, but informed sources said three people had been killed and four wounded in a

shooting incident near a Phalangist office in the northern subleading from the eastern half urb of Jeideh .- Reuter. Spassky takes Fischer's

Amsterdam, Jan 4.—Bobby Viktor Korchnoi, another Fischer, the American former Russian living abroad, will be world chess champion, has forfeited his right to play in the candidates' tournament which has agreed that Tigran Petro-decides the challenger to Anasian, the Soviet former world decides the challenger to Anatoly Karpov of the Soviet Union,

of the International Chess Federation (Fide) said today that Fischer had failed to notify Fide by January 1 of his inten-tion to compete and had been replaced by Boris Spassky of the Soviet Union. Spassky, from whom Fischer won the title in 1972, is now living in France with his French-born wife. He will play Vlastimil Hort of Czecho-

Hang glider crash injures five people

Sydney, Jan 4.—A hang glider crashed into a group of holidaymakers at the resort of Nambucca heads, 280 miles north of Sydney, today, injuring five people, —Reuter.

Cairo, Jan 4.—Nine people were killed and five others in juried today when an oncoming train swept them off the steps of the train on which they were riding.

About 12,000 troops have

been mobilized in Fukien, which is opposite Taiwan, to

blamed on followers of Chiang

Ching, Mao Tse-tung's widow, and three other radical leaders.

provinces, including "all-

Hungary, and Enrique Mecking of Brazil and Lev Polugaevsky of the Soviet Union. The matches will be played in February and March over 12 games, with two extra games in the event of a draw.—Agence France-Press and Reuter.

Cairo train sweeps nine to their death

Peking, Jan 4.—The Chinese round civil war in south-press today published more western Szechwan. details of recent unrest in the According to a Chinese

details of recent unrest in the strategic southern province of Fukien, but said rival groups were settling their differences.

The People's Daily reported "beating, smashing and looting" in Fukien, and admitted "The People's Daily shamed "The People's Daily blamed".

The People's Daily reported October but had not been coming beating smashing and looting in Fukien, and admitted that factionalism last year brought some factories to a people who were instigated by

Local radio stations have re-ported violence in 11 of China's sabotage and factionalism in

end disturbances force ".

place in world chess But there was strong opposi-tion from Mr Felker and others, The Soviet Chess Federation Briton kept body | Mr Bukovsky will carry on of wife he

by Karpov of the Soviet Union, champion, should meet him. Petrosian bitterly attacked Miss Ineke Bakker. secretary Korchnoi for seeking political the International Chess asylum in Holland last July and their match could be teuse.

The two other matches will be between Bent Larsen of Denmark and Lajos Portisch of

the "gang of four" to estab-lish illicit contacts, create splits,

falsify charges against others and "stir up struggles with

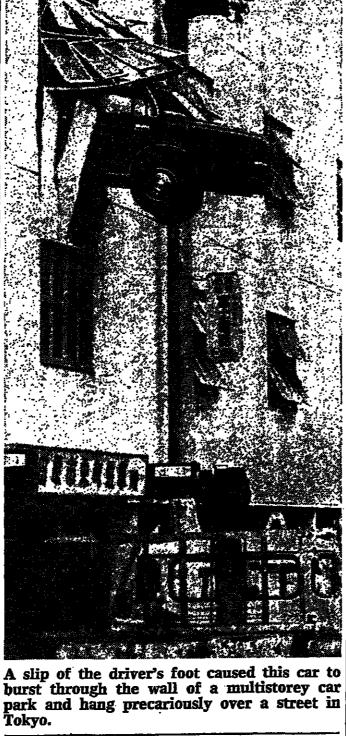
Fukien has a legacy of

political feuding and after the downfall of the radicals the Army was mobilized to counter

Peking press admits strife in Fukien The newspaper added that rival groups were now ironing our their differences and con-

centrating their hatred on the radicals. The official radio station in southern Kwangtung province, monitored in Hongkong, said that Communist Party members and Army units at a recent study meeting in Canton called for the province of the for thorough criticism of the four radicals.

"We must not be kind-hearted or soft-handed towards this bunch of big enemies of communism and the people. We must criticize thoroughly and in depth their towering crimes and thoroughly eradicate their poison and influence. the radio said.—Reuter.



Murdoch takeover talks continue

From Peter Strafford New York, Jan 4

Mr Rupert Murdoch, the Australian newspaper owner, is trying to reach an amicable settlement which will allow him to complete his takeover of the New York Magazine Company. He is trying in particular to win over Mr Clay Felker, the presi-dent of the company, who has so far been his most active opponent.

Mr Murdoch said last night when he arrived at a meeting of the company's board. "We want Clay Felker to stay as editor-inchief." He added that Mr Felker would have "all the freedom and integrity that implies".

The battle for the company, which publishes the successful magazine New York and The Village Voice, as well as New West in California, has been a bitter one so far.

Mr Murdoch claims to have cquired more than 50 per cent of the company's stock by buy-ing shares from stockholders opposed to Mr Felker's policies, but Mr Felker has gone to court to prevent the takeover.

The issue came to a head at a stormy board meeting last night. Mr Murdoch announced that he had more than 50 per cent of the stock, and the board voted six to five to accept the take-

killed in trunk

Singapore, Jan 4.-A coroner

today returned a verdict of murder against a British busi-

nessman after hearing that he killed his Eurasian wife and

kept her dismembered body in

a trunk in his flat for two years before he himself died of a heart attack.

neart attack.

A police officer said Mr
Michael Culley kiled his wife,
Linda, soon after arriving here
to take up a job in May, 1974.
Mr Culley told his son, Charles,

of the murder.

Charles, aged 16, who now lives in England, told police about the killing after his father's death.

The son said in the statement the both and lives the statement.

that he had kept quiet about the murder because "I loved my father".—Reuter.

and in the end the meeting was A joint statement was issued

afterwards on behalf of Mr Murdoch, Mr Felker and Mr Theodore Kheel, the company's lawyer. It said that there was agreement over the validity of the actions taken by the board, and that there would be further meetings in an effort to avoid litigation. Mr Felker claims that Mr lurdoch had no right to buy

a large block of shares, repre-senting about 24 per cent of the total, from Mr Carter Burden, a member of the New York City Council. Mr Felker says he had an agreement with Mr Burden to give him the right of first

Mr Feiker has been strongly supported by the editorial staff of New York and The Village

At a meeting yesterday, they issued a statement which was sharply critical of Mr Murdoch, and threatened to stop work if a decision on the takeover was not put off for 10 days. An immediate stoppage wa

averted when last night's board meeting ended inconclusively. The company's most recentlylaunched magazine, New West, published in Beverly Hills and modelled on New York, is at the root of the trouble. The costs of starting it up have been far more than were expected.

Mr Vladimir Bukovsky, the

Russian dissident released from prison in the Soviet Union last

month in exchange for a Chilean Communist leader,

flew into London from Switzer-

land yesterday, saying he was delighted to be making his first visit to a country "which has

visit to a country "which has been a welcome sanctuary for so many Russian refugees" during the last few years.

Mr Bukovsky was met at Heathrow airport by Russian friends, representatives of Amnesty International, and members of other groups working for the release of Soviet dissidems including Mr David Markham, the actor, who for five years campaigned inde-

five years campaigned inde-fatigably for Mr Bukovsky's

Mr Bukovsky is expected to spend most of his fortnight's stay in Britain at Mr Markham's

stay in Britain at Mr Marktam's home at Coleman's Hanch, Sussex. Asked what he would be doing there, Mr Markham replied firmly: "Re'll bo having a trice, quiet time".

Mr Bukovsky, who is 34, is said to be still feeling rather weak from his two and half years in prison and is understood to be suffering from a heart condition, a liver ailment and ulcers. Although he looked pale and thin at yesterday's press conference, he appeared

press conference, he appeared alert and fielded reporters' part and fielded reporters'

He said that while in Britain

he planned to discuss with civil rights groups the problems of dissidents still in Russia. He

dissidents still in Russla. He hoped also to meet British psychiatrists. But, he added with a smile, that he expected

By Diana Geddes

fight for Soviet dissidents

possibly post-independence civil This is feared as much

spring.
Yet it remains an inconceivable prospect for most white Rhodesians. Except for the demands of the guerrilla conflict, which are considerable, the Rhodesian way of life seems imwar. This is feared as much by blacks as whites. In the three months since Mr mutable. Black power is still beyond most people's compre-

The horror of the guerrilla war, resentment of "the terrorand an obsessive fear of munism, dominate the communism, dominate the thinking of whites here to the exclusion of everything else, particularly the practicalities of transition.

Some whites think in terms of power sharing but few appreciate that the prospect is

When Mr Smith, the Prime Minister, announced on September 24 that he and his government had agreed to the implementation of majority rule within two years, his decision was welcomed by his opponents and accepted as inevitable by his supporters. Today, it is seen as improbable rather than

inevitable. The first flush of optimism at the economic potential to be unleashed by the country's return to legality has given way to pessimism at what seems increasingly to be impending

Hopes and confidence are being whittled away by several factors, chiefly the increasingly bloody guerrilla conflict and the tone and tenor of the Geneva

The African nationalist stance at Geneva is regarded by white able. They find it difficult to regard as their future leaders en who are the leaders of the

Rhodesia still unprepared for power sharing to believe that serious con-sideration is being given to the Salisbury, Jan 4
In theory, Rhodesia might be
Zimbabwe with a majority rule
constitution later this year, or,
at the latest, by the following prospect of people whom they regard as terrorists being in-tegrated with, or superseding,

Practicalities of transition to black rule elude despondent whites

Government security forces.
To make things worse, the power struggle between the black leaders has created the spectre of political violence and

conceded the imminence of change there has been no serious attempt to prepare or educate the population for the transition that is to come. The Government is still only

half-heartedly unravelling the bureaucratic red tape of discriminatory legislation. It has made no move to implement major reforms proposed by a multi-racial, Governmentmulti-racial, Government-appointed commission before September 24 which are all the

more vital now.

There has been no national debate on how the transition is to be effected. Radio and television continue to propagate the ruling Rhodesian Front's most right-wing line, emphasizing the dangers and prospects of Marx-

Newspaper letter-columns are dominated by bitter tirades rather than constructive discussion, and the white population remains as isolated as ever from contact and communication with the black politicians who are scheduled to take over the

Far from being induced to expound their policies, the Afri-can leaders have been denied access to radio or television and prevented from holding public meetings. They have made contact with their black supporters by the ploy of stagen air "press confer-before thousands of ing open air ences" before blacks.

There has been no attempt Minister, is understood not approach is necessary.

vestigate the African nationalist viewpoint, either by means of extensive interviews or current affairs debates, or even by the equivalent of a party political broadrast. It is also quite beyond whites by the media to present or in-

The black politicians are not biameless for this ignorance. They are adept at avoiding making any firm statements regarding the substance of the policies they would hope to pursue. But if there has been one encouraging development in the past few weeks it is that the black factions have turned some

admittedly in vague terms, its Bishop Muzorewa's faction of the African National Council

rical broadcast. As a result few whites, even

now, know the names of any black politicians other than the four faction leaders, Bishop Abel Muzorewa, Mr Joshua Nkomo, the Rev Ndabaningi Sit-The prime bogy-man for whites is Mr Mugabe. But whites is Mr Mugabe. But white fears of him are largely those born of preconception and of the unknown. It would be true to say that even the most assiduous of African political observers are uncertain of Mr. Mugabet.

Mr Mugabe's political philoso-phy. What most white Rhode-sians know of it is the result of third or fourth hand news agency summaries or hearsay of what he is supposed to have been quoted as saying on Maputo radio.

of their attention to winning white support. Mr Nkomo's faction has been taking large advertising space in the Rhodesia Herald, to state,

has stated that it intends to

rractual nature of the AngloAmerican settlement terms as
negotiated by Dr Henry
Kissinger, the American Secretary of Stace, he has apparently
agreed reluctantly to give the
revised proposals further consideration, pending the return
of Mr Ivor Richard, the Geneva
conference chairman, to Salisbury in about a week's time.
Clearly his acceptance would
be dependent on what assurances Mr Richard can offer him
after having seen the black
presidents. And that, in turn,
will depend a great deal on
what attitude Mr Vorster, the
South African Prime Minister,
can be pursuaded to adopt.

can be pursuaded to adopt.

Mr Richard's handicap is that he has to win commitments from the African leaders without being able to promise them that Mr Smith is committed to the deal.

British hopes of the Rhode-sian Government dropping its insistence on sticking rigidly to the initial Anglo-American proposals, is based on the belief
that the desire to bring the war
to an end is paramount and if
they can be assured that this is
feasible then they will be more

It is felt that the Rhodesian forces are not on top in the guerrilla conflict and, knowing this, any rational leader must be anxious to bring the war to

The weakness of the British line of reasoning, however, is that while all Rhodesians are has stated that it intends to pursue a mixed economy, that it values the skills of white concerned at the escalation of values the skills of white the war, the view that the whites to join the ANC. Settlement is not widely held. Unfortunately both efforts have met with minimal constructive from Mr Vorster to cut supplies from Mr Vorster to cut supplies the Phodesian. response from the whites. to convince the Rhodesian Mr Ian Smith, the Prime Government that a more flexible

Mr Richard to meet From Fred Emery Washington, Jan 4 Senator Hubert Humphrey, the Democratic leader who lost the presidency to Mr Richard liberal champion since 1948, and his fellow liberal Demo-Sir Seretse

today

From Nicholas Ashford Johannesburg, Jan 4 Mr Ivor Richard, chairman

of the Rhodesia settlement con-ference, arrived in Gaborone, Botswana, today for the next stage of his southern African shuttle, still radiating optimism that a peaceful agreement between the Rhodesian Government and the black nationalists can be reached.

He said on arrival that the talks he had had so far in Zambia, Rhodesia and South Africa had strengthened his view that a settlement was "There is scope for getting an agreement and this is what I am trying to achieve",

Mr Richard was having dinner with Mr Archie Mogwe, the Botswana Foreign Minister, this evening and was due to have talks with President Sir Seretse Khama tomorrow. The meeting is likely to be both friendly and informal However, Sir Seretse can be expected to draw Mr Richard's attention to the recent incursions into Botswana by Rhodesian forces and to emphasize the importance for Botswana of a speedy settle-ment to the Rhodesian prob-

For his part Mr Richard is expected to outline his pro-posals for a "neutral" British presence in Rhodesia during the transitional period.

Mr Richard's talks in Bots

wanz tomorrow and then in Mozambique and Tanzania later this week will complete the first stage of his journey. By that time all the parties directly or indirectly involved will have heard at first hand his latest thinking on the Rhodesian issue and will have had an oppor-tunity to explain their positions

it would be a hard task to con-vince them in any way, as he knew from his own experience with Russian psychiatrists dur-

ing his two forced sojourns in

Russian mental hospitals dur-

ing the 1960s.
Since arriving in the West

he had already tried to help dissidents in Yugoslavia and

dissidents in Yugoslavia and Chile. But his first concern was for his friends in Russia, particularly Vladimir Borisov, the Leningrad dissident, who was arrested on Christmas Day and is being held, without charge in a mental hospital.

Mr Bukovsky said: "I'm sure that the battle for democracy which is waged now in the hearts of people in Eastern constries and the Soviet Union is a battle of everyone's concern. It's part of a universal

cert. It's part of a universal buttle for freedom and justice, and it is in England that I hope

to have the strongest support for this cause."

for this cause."

He was happy for the British people, he added, because they were the keepers of democratic traditions and freedom. He said he wished to express his "extrame gratitude" to all those who were sympathetic to the Russian dissidents' cause. Moscow, Jan 4.—Security police searched the Moscow homes of Dr Yury Orlov and Mr Alexander Giusberg, members of a human rights group in Russia, another leading dissident said today.

Dr Valeatin Turchin, also essociated with the group, said he learnt of the search when

he learnt of the search when Dr Orlov's wife called out to him from a window in their flat. He said police arrived at

Mr Humphrey's bitter moment

Nixon by a whisker in 1968, today averted one last election

He withdrew at the last moment from a hopeless election for Senate majority leader. His gesture ensured the elec-tion by acclamation of Senator Robert Byrd, of West Virginia who had been the overwhelming favourite to succeed Mr Mike Mansfield.

On the Republican side, there was a surprise as Senator Howard Baker, of Tennessee. upset by one vote Senator Robert Griffin, the Michigan colleague of President Ford, who had been expected to suc-ceed Mr Hugh Scott as minority. leader. Mr Baker, a moderateconservative Republican, first gained national attention dur-ing the televised Senate Watergate committee hearings.
But the Democratic leadership post is the one that counts.

By sentiment, service, superior capability and eloquence, the job ought to have been Mr Humphrey's by

crats form a majority within the Democrats' majority.

cancer—and Mr Byrd's highly effective management of the tedious side of Senate business for the past five years—resulted in the younger, if less tilus-trious man gaining preference. Mr Humphrey's final acquiesence was undoubtedly a bitter moment. Even the labour unions for which he campaigned all his life failed to rally to

his support. They all knew that Mr Byrd had the votes, and presumably did not want to queer their pitch in future political busi-

Some put out the word that they wanted to be kind, that they did not wish the work to Reston, the columnist, noted in his final salute in The New York Times, there is something takes off and soars only at high speed. Work and responsibility are what keep him going."

The Senate leadership elections were the highlight of the acclamation. He has been the convening day of the ninety.

here have had a lot of fun suggesting that it meant the "Return of majority rule" or even—as the Washington Post had it today—"One-party rule The new Senste listings are:

Mr Robert Byrd (West Virginia), aged 59, majority leader; Mr Alan Cranston (California), aged 62, majority whip; Mr Daniel Inouye, (Hawaii), aged 52, secretary, Democratic conference.

Mr Howard Baker Tennessee), aged 51, minority floor leader; Mr Ted Stevens (Alaska), aged 53, minority whip; Mr Clifford Hansen (Wyoming), aged 64, secretary of the Republican conference. In electing Mr Byrd the Democrats have chosen a legislative manager whose past record of devoted housekeeping suggests that they will have smooth, predictable schedules. Since he ousted Senator to that, but not much. "Hubert Edward Kennedy as majority quiddick scandal in 1971—Mr Byrd has not acted in a manner to suggest he would use the post as one of national leadership, in competition with the

Blood problems of US diplomats in Moscow

in Moscow show abnormalities in one-third of those tested, according to an administrative notice distributed today.

The blood tests were carried out after the Embassy had claimed that microwave radiation was being beamed at the building by the Russians. The tests showed an increase in the white blood cell count of one out of three employees and relatives. "There is no connexion with

microwaves directed at the embassy", the notice said. But it added: "The cause remains undetermined." "It can only be said that there may be a factor in the environment which produces a benign temporary increase in the circulating blood

lymphocytes in some people." The notice was distributed to all embassy staff and other Americans living in Moscow, It said that additional medical tests ordered by the State De-partment had "failed to find

Correspondent

Singapore, Jan 4 .- The Singa-

ore correspondent of a Hongkong weekly was arrested today for "disseminating protected information" without the con-sent of the authorities.

A government spokesman said that Mr Ho Kwon Ping, correspondent of the Far Eastern Economic Review,

would appear in court tomor-row. He declined to give any more details.

Mr Ho was arrested at his

office where police scarched some of the files.

in Singapore

arrested

Moscow, Jan 4.—Blood tests any adverse consequences from on United States Embassy staff the lymphocytosis." The announcement comes

just over a year after the radia-tion was disclosed, and two months after the embassy was designated as an "unhealthful post " by the State Department,
At that time, hardship allowances for embassy staff were
increased because of "reported environmental conditions regarding sanitation and disease, medical and hospital faci-

lities and climate" In June, at the height of the concern over radiation, two girls, aged three, living in the emebassy were sent home for further tests after they had been found to have unusual blood problems. Today's notice said that lymphocytosis, an increase in

the number of one type of white blood cell, by itself "is no cause for alarm" and "occurs for example during periods of acute viral infection" It invited other Americans in Moscow to have blood tests at the embassy free of charge.-

Sudan recalls envoy from Ethiopia

Khartum, Jan 4. Relations between Sudan and Ethiopia deteriorated further today with deteriorated further today with the amouncement that President Nimeiry's Government has recalled its ambassador from Addis Ababa.

President Nimeiry warned Ethiopia on Saturday that he would raise an army from among the 100,000 Eritrean and other Ethiopiam refugees in Sudan to repulse any Ethiopian attack, and renewed accusations that Ethiopia was training antigovernment Sudanese guerrillas

government Sudanese guerrillas in camps near the border.

Prince is keen on

dramatics Toronto, Jan 4.—Prince Andrew said today that he hoped to study drama while at school in Canada because he liked to pretend he was some-

one else. He told reporters at a recep-tion that he became bored with being himself and enjoyed taking on other roles. He added that the Prince of Wales was better at dramatics than he was.

Prince Andrew arrived in Toronto yesterday, on his way to the Lakefield College school, near Peterborough, Ontario, where he will study for six

months.

The reception at the Ontario legislature buildings was held after a private meeting with Mrs Pauline McGibbon, the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario. The Prince said that he was surprised at the number of reporters at the reception, as well as at the number of reporters and photographers who met him at Toronto international airporor yesterday. He hoped to be treated simply as a schoolboy at Lakefield.
Prince Andrew asked the reporters how large Canadian newspapers were and why Canadian television stations had so many commercials, AP.

Muhammad Ali divorce

Chicago, Jan 4.—Mrs Khalilah Ali, wife of Muhammad Ali, the world heavyweight boxing champion, has been granted a divorce on the ground of deserthon, it was learnt here today.

She has been granted custody
of the four children and
awarded nearly \$2m (about
£1,200m) in cash and property. She will also receive an apartment in Chicago, a house in the suburbs and two cars.

a chocosy

Watergate affair film voted best of 1976

New York, Jan 4 .- All the former President Nixon and his President's Men has been chosen as the best film of 1976 by the New York Film Critics Circle. The film, based on the book of the same name by the Washington Post reporters Bob Wood-Dr Orlor's wife called out to him from a window in their flat. He said police arrived at about the same time at Mr Ginsburg's home,—Reuter,

of the same name by the Wash-wash wash wash and Carl Bernstein, depicts their unravelling of the Watergate conspiracy involving best film and Paddy Cheyefsky was named best supporting actress was named best supporting actress for her role in Rocky.—AP.

Alan Pakula was named best director for the film and the best supporting actor award went to Jason Robards, who played Mr Benjamin Bradlee,

year for his depiction of net-

Robert di Nero was voted the year's best actor for his title

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Selectors remain faithful to Young

Rugby Correspondent

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Malcolm Young, the Gosforth scrum half, had the best of allhirthday presents yesterday with the announcement that he will partner Cooper at half-back in the England XV to play Scotland at Twickenham on Saurday week. He is one of four new caps. The others are Charles Kent at centre, Robin Cowling (toose head prop) and Michael Rafter (openside wing forward). It is a team which allowing for the inclusion after injury of Cotton. Nigel Horton and Hignell, exactly conforms to the senior side in the second half of the final trial.

There are only four survivors—

There are only four survivors-Hignell, Slemen, Cotton and Beaumont—from the England side that lost in Paris at the end of last season's championship, although Utiley, the new captain, Sources and Wheeler, would have played against France had they been fit.

Steve Smith, who seemed to have done enough in the final trial to win the scrum half position, must be considered distinctly unincky. However, the selectors have been consistent, at least in the short term, in that Young was their choice for the senior side in both trials. This resilient and most popular player, now 29, who won a soccer line at Cambridge and played in his first national rugby trial in 1899, at last wins his international spurs behind his Cosforth colleagues, Utiley and Dixon. Their presence may well have helped to filt the selection Young's way although, truth to say, England's loose trio, with Utiley, understandably not match fit, hardly ser Twickenham alight last Saturday.

The choice of Young inevitably Steve Smith, who seemed

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to tank ten

The choice of Young inevitably The choice of Young inevitably sparks off some revealing statistics. Be will be the fifth player picked in his position since England won their last championship victory, against Scotland in 1975, and the seventeenth in all since Dickle Jeaps, now president of the Rugby Football Union, and still playing occasionally, redred from the international scene in 1962 with 24 caps to his name. The latest alliance is the eleventh at half back (inclusive of substitutions) since Jamary, 1975, and it provides Cooper with his fourth partner in eight internationals.

The selectors have also decided.

The selectors have also decided. not unpredictably, to stand by the centres; feat and Barrie Corress, who played for the Probables and then for the England team in the trials. There was not a lot to choose between four hard goers and willing tacklers. Kent is the most determined and dangerous runner among them, Corless the most experienced (he now wiss a third cap, his second last season having been acquired as a re-platement full back against Ire-land, French the most likely in stack and Bond, still as under-23



Kent (left) and Young: Among the newcomers in a hard, competent and beavering England XV.

University and played in four university matches, is the only London representative in the side. He plays there days for Rosslyn Park, atthough his home club is Bridgwater. He is 23, stands lift 2in, weights 142st and should be guaranteed to make his uncomplicated presence felt. Cowling, a farm manager who moved clubs from Globcester to

Leicester three years ago, is 34, but not yet, by front row stand-ards, in the sere and yellow. The scientific and the series and years. The selectors, seeing medit in a Lei-cester combination at booker and loose head, have resisted any temptation to switch Cotton from reuptason to swaren cheaten from light head and, by bringing in Burton, to play last season's front row. Cowing, a thoroughly solld campaigner, has carried his cap, though Burton must be snother

expression is permissible.
Nigel Horton, who has played
for his country only a couple of
times since 1971, virtually assured times since 1971, virtually assured himself of a tenth cap when he couplayed a surduced Wilkinson at the lineout in the first trial. Beaumont made sure of his ninth with a boisterous all round effort in the final one, and Wheeler was always the front runner at hooker. England will be hoping that Wheeler can find his old accuracy as a thrower-in. In that respect—admirtedly in foul conditions—he had two indifferent trials, whereas his rival, Raphael, had two good ones.

Though Caplan played well

trials. There was not a lot to those between four hard goers between four hard goers and willing tacklers. Kent is the most determined and dangerous content among them. Corless the most experienced (he now wins a though Eurton must be snother of the mintly ones. Rafter, a school teacher by proherence that had against Irelandly. French the most Exely in stack and Bond, still an under-23 placer, the most raw.

Exert, who capained Oxford the most to the post and the England under-23 side. By corner were obvious selections on the wings although the last named, after a brillian start to his season, has recently endured a poor

that he punches his weight, if that expression is permissible.

Nigel Horton, who has played for his country only a couple of Saturday.

All in all, it looks the sort of hard, competent and beavering combination that should appeal to Mr Jack Jones and might lead, after a victory or two, to an ex-pansion of output and produc-tivity.

ENGLAND: A. J. Hignell (Cambridge University); P. J. Squires (Harrogate), B. J. Corless (Moseley), C. P. Kent (Rosslyn Park), M. A. C. Slemen (Liverpool); M. J. Cooper (Moseley), M. Young (Gosforth); R. Cowling (Leicester), P. J. Wheeler (Leicester), P. E. Cotton (Sale), W. B. Beaumont (Fylder, N. E. Horton (Moseley), P. J. Dixon (Gosforth), R. M. Uttley (Gosforth, Captain), M. Rafter (Bristol). Replacements: N. French (Wasps), A. G. B. Old (Sheffield). S. J. Smith (Sale), J. A. G. D. Raphael (Bictive Pangers). M. A. Burton (Gloucester), A. G. Ridley (Rosslyn Park). ENGLAND : A. J. Hignell (Cam-

Tomes (Hawick), A. F. McHarg (London Scottish), W. Lauder (Neath), D. S. M. MacDonald (Ox-

Terry Claxton, the Harlequins prop forward, has been banned from all rugby for the rest of the current season.

Claxton, currently serving a 14-week suspension for being sent off during the Middlesex game against Eastern Counties on October 27,

was given a further four months' suspension by the Middlesex dis-ciplinary committee in London last

night for playing in a game between two public houses at Twickenham on November 28. That unofficial match took place

13 days after Middlesex originally banned him from playing until

The Middlesex secretary, Michael Christie, issued a statement on behalf of his county committee which left Claxton and Harlequins in no doubt that he is

hanned for playing in all forms

January 29.

Watson (Boroughmuir).

Three new caps in as McLachlan goes out By John Downie The introduction of three new internationals and the omission of three new internationals and the omission of the main points of interest in Scotland's to play England at Twicken ham on January 15 The newcomers are Airken, the secondary of the new of of the n

The newcomers are Airken, the Gala, South of Scotland, and Gala, South of Scotland, and Scotland B prop, who was reserve for all of last season's five internationals and played in the unofficial match against Japan in September, MacDonald the Oxford University and Scotland B No 8, and Brewster the Stewarts Melville and Edigburgh Tanker.

Attent replaces McLanchian

and Edisburgh Hanker.
Airfeen replaces McLauchlan
(Jordanhill), Scotland's capmin
in their past 18 internationals and
a key player for the British Lious
on their winning fours of New
Zeeland in 1971 and South Africa
in 1974. McLauchlan, who will be
25 in Amelian sours against to have 35 in April, now seems to have come to the end of his interna-tional career with 32 Scottish caps. McGeechan succeeds him as

McGeechan succeeds him as captain:

The other changes from last season's neam have been almost enforced. The switch of McHarg from No 8 th lock, the introduction of MacDonald and Brewster, and the return of Lauder on the flank are traceable to the sending off of Gordon Brown (West of Scotland), the Lious' lock in the Glasgow v North and Midlands match: at Murrayfield on Decembert 11 and injuries to two Hankers, Michael Biggar (London Scotland).

Biggar missed the final trial because of a hamstring injury but played for his club's second XV on the same day and has had two club matches since then. In the first, against Edinburgh Wanderers on December 27, he was suffering from a severe stomach upset, but he is said to have played well at Gloucester on Saturday. on Saturday. Leslie, who damaged his back

lestie, who damaged his back in Glasgow's match against the south of Scotland in October, his now been fit for five club matches, all of which have been cancelled because of the weather. Angus Stewart, Canadian born captain of Cambridge University, must be disappointed that he has not filled one of the vacancies. He was promoted in place of Lauder at half time in the final Lauder at half time in the final trial, and scored a try for each side. But, with MacDonald and Brewster being blooded at full international level, the selectors have obviously felt it wise to play one seasoned loose forward, and Lauder has served them well in

The 6ft 6in 15t stone Mac-Donald was born in South Africa but, with a name like Donald Shaw Mackinnon MacDonald, has Donald was born in South Africa but has never stopped training.

but, with a name like Donald Shaw Mackinnon MacDonald, has no need to establish his Scottish lineage. He had a fine match I. R. McGeechan (Headingley) of rugby.

form for Edinburgh and gave a storming display in the final trial. His only previous national selec-tion was for a Scottish XV against the British Post Office. As is often the way with front row players. Aitken's first cap comes relatively late. He is 28. His development may also have been delayed because he played been delayed because he played for a minor club, Penicuick, until he joited Gala in 1972. He was first chosen by the South of Scotland in 1973, has played in four national trials, had two B internationals against France, and appeared in the Scottish XV against Japan this season. At 5ft 11in and 16 stone, he has an ideal build for a prop. He does not yet

build for a prop. He does not yet match McLaughlan's skill and judgment in the open, but is prob-ably more effective in ruck and McLauchlan does not even travel as reserve, that role again going to Pender, the only uncapped replacement. Pender played against Japan but missed the trial, having fractured a hand in a motoring accident. He has not played since.

Motor racing

Win against Gorman helps | Argentines put forward Lewis's gamble pay off

Melbourne, January 4.—Richard
Lewis, of England, beat Tom Gorman, the tenth seed, 6—4, 6—3, 6—1, in the second round of men's singles at the Anstralian open tennis championships at Kooyong 20day.

"When I came here I was not sure whether I could get into the draw but have now made three in a row and have been lucky enough to pick up sufficient money to make the trip worth while." Lewis, who was 22 lest month, overpowered the American with his service and fine first volley-

ing. He also displayed good ground strokes, which he used to advantage to pass Gorman, who attacked Lewis's second service each time he failed with his first each time he failed with his hist Gorman, who could not get into the match after Lewis began attacking, said afterwards: "I could not afford to let him get on top. Once you let a player of that class get his game going he gains in confidence and starts purting you on the defensive."

Lewis is now assured of taking home at least about £1,400 from home at least about £1,400 from this event, in addition to his winnings in Sydney, where he was beaten by John Alexander, and in Perth, where he lost in the quarter final round.

Lewis said today that he had taken a gamble in coming to Australia this year, as no English

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Paton makes a successful return after illness

Andrew Paton, of Liverpool, from tennis for a while as he has yesterday made a successful, if started medical studies at Bristol laborious, remin to competitive University, will clearly be hard tennis following a severe bout of pressed to hand on to hit the, glandular fever which kept him. Singles, first one almost of months. glangular fever which kept and out for almost six mouths.

In the British imior cavered court championships, sponsored by Green Shield, at Queen's Club, he won 7—5, 6—4, as he started out on his defence of the boys' stypes side geainst Jergmy simples title against Jeremy

"It was not so much of an ordes! as I thought it might be "he said afterwards; "though I was not as fast around the court as I need to be ".



race by 90 minutes

Buenos Aires, Jan 4.—Local organizers of the Argentine Grand Prix bowed to European pressure today by agreeing to move up the start of Sunday's races by an hour and a half. The change will allow European followers to wairi the race on television and read the results in morning newspapers. The race, which inaugurates the 1977 formula one season and courts 1977 formula one season and counts for points toward the world driving championship, was originally scheduled to begin at 10.20 pm GMT. But yesterday Bernie Ecciestone, the president of the Association of Formula One Constructors, asked that the race should begin at 9.0 pm.

Strict security measures at the airport here prevented reporters and photographers from watching the arrival of the formula one vehicles aboard a chartered aircraft yesterday; nor did police allow lengthy interviews with drivers.

The world champion, James Hunt, of Great Eritain, and the 1975 champion, Niki Lauda, of Austria, will be driving models they used last season. Hent is with the McLaren team and Lauda with Ferrari. Lauda, his face deeply scarred in a near-fatal crash last season in Germany, teld reporters that he was mentally and physically ready to try to regain

since 1970. left the March team and will appear in a six-wheeled Istre!!. "I want to win the title". he told reporters, "but I am not sufficiently adapted to the new vehicle, and I don't have noth time to practise with it before the race on Sunday."

Switzeriand's Clay Regazzoni, tho left Ferrari last season after a dispute with the designer. Enzo Ferrari, is driving for Ensign. Perrari, is driving for Ensign. John Watson, of Ireland, who wen his first grand priv last year, will appear in a Mortini-Brabham as will his team colleague, Carlos

Pace, of Brazil. Carlos Reutemonn, an Argenthe picked by Ferarri to team with Lauda this season, also will appear in a new car after having left a Brabham, which he claimed was not competitive. He has been practising for months at the Ferarrick in Lauthent was not to be the competitive. reri track in Italy to get used to

The South African, Jody Scheckter, will drive a Wolf-Ford, ofter having left Tyrrell; his brother, Ian, will be driving a March, as will his team colleague, the neuromer. Alex Diaz, of the newcomer, Alex Diaz. of

Italy's Renzo Zorzi and Austra-lia's Larry Perkins will be in a Singdow and BRM respectively. Brazil's Emerson Fittipaldi, the 1974 world champion, will again be at the wheel of a Copersucar, although he has not had much luck Sweden's Ronnie Peterson, who with that model during the re-has won eight grand prix races cent season.—Associated Press.

Athletics

Miss Erhardt retires

East Berlin, Jan 4.—Annelie the injury at a meeting in Dresden Erhardt, East Germany's 1972 last May. She went to Montreal Observed Gold medal science and for the 1976 Olympic Games but

failed to qualify metres burdles final. Miss Erbardt, who was also European champion, set the world record of 12.59sec when winning the gold medal at the Munich Olympics more than four years

Football

Second dark | Fine weekend would cloud on Best's horizon

By Norman Fox Football Correspondent

George Best has become the central choracter in two disagreements with football authority. Aiready the subject of his club's refusal to give the Football League assurance that he will not return to the United States before the end of the season, he is now being charged by the Football Association with bringing the game ion disrepute.

Yesterday the FA aumounced that Best's charge came as a result Yesterday the FA aumounced that Best's charge came as a result of making gestures to the referee of Futham's away match with Cheisea at Stamford Bridge on Boxing Day. The moident was alleged to have occurred as the players were leaving the field. The referee, John Homewood, took Best's mame but Best says he will appeal. Should be fall, his disciplinary points will reach 20 and he will be liable to a suspension. There is no charge of challenging the referee's night to act as he did, even though the match was over. FA rules cover misconduct off the field of play.

When the time comes for an appeal, Best's argument is likely to be based, not on a denial of what many people saw, but on the conduct of the referee during the game. Best alleges that Mr Homewood's remarks to the players in a turbulent match "brought the game into disrepute" more than anything.
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Fulham's new chairman, Gny

Libby, said yesterday there were many other aspects of the game to be considered by the FA. The hearing may not be arranged hefore next month, by which time Fullsm should know the outcome of their refusal to assure the League that Best will remain with them until they complete their

mem unut mey compate their current season.

Best and Fulham are beset by problems, Best has injured both of his ankles and is doubtful for Samrday's FA Cup third round tie against Swindon Town at Craven Cottage and Rodney Marsh has cally recently recently recently. cottage and Roomey marsh has
only recently resumed training
after injuries. Three of their goalkeepers—Mellor, Peyton and Teale
—ere injured and a 17-year-old
apprentice, Perry Digweed, may
have to play again.
Bullevant, Evanson and Curbush
arr' also receiving treatment. arc' also receiving treatment. Fulham, drifting further down the second division, are left with only one consolation—that their gamble with Best and Marsh has led to an increase of 4242 energypts over increase of 42,452 spectators over last season.

Len Ashurst, Sheffield Wednesday's manager, completed the signing of Dennis Leman from Manchester City for £9.000 vesterday. He hopes to sign David Rushbury, of West Bromwich Albion in time to play him against Brighton at Hillsborough on Saturday. The clabs have agreed a fee of £20,000.

Football fixtures SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Promier divi-sion: Hibernian v Dundee United (7.50. RUGBY UNION : Army v Saracens, orlingham v RAF (7.15), Watsonians

Boxing

(Negari), D. S. M. ABCDOBAIO (UK-ford University), A. K. Brewster (Steward's Melville FP). Replace-ments: B. H. Hay (Borrughmuir), J. M. Renwick (Hawick), D. W. Morgan (Steward's Melville FP), N. E. K. Pender (Hawick), W. S. Waston (Borrughmuir). Solomons hopes to stage Conteh bout

Jack Solomons, the London pro-moter, hopes to stage John Conten's world light heavyweight championship title defence against championship title defence against 30-year-old Miguel Cuello, of Argentina, later this year. He said yesterday: "Negotiations between John Conteh and his brother Tony have gone well and I am hopeful of being able to stage the fight. It will be in England but the venue and date have yet to be decided."

Negotiations are expected to be finalized on Friday, the deadline given by the World Boxing Council. Last month another London promoter. Mike Barrett, bad his offer of staging the bout rejected

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England make second change for Leeds England have made a second change in their team to meet Wales in the European Rugby League triangular tournament at

Leeds on January 29. Lowe (Hull Kingston Rovers) the second row forward has withdrawn from the team because an elbow injury has prevented him training and Grayshon (Dewsbury) will take his place.

Squash rackets SATH CLUB TROPHY: Second round Gresham's best Valler HIU 3-0; Variborough boat Runby 3-0 Si John's Leatnernead best Malvern 1-0; Harrow best Blundels 5-0 Lincong Ranby 3-0; Lincong Hi boat Stown 2-1; Aylesbury GS best St

Ice hockey

MATIONAL LEAGUE: Montreal Canadiens 6. Philadelphia Figers 4.

Four leading Britons miss Alpine championships mother and was born in England but no one would have expected him to race for anywhere but Scot-

From Elizabeth Hussey Val d'Isère, Jan 4

Each year arguments rage as to when the British Alpine ski cham-pionships should take place. The best racers often have to be at international events in boilday time but if—as in Alpine countries
—the meeting is timed for
term time it will exclude all
students and leave only the circuit Even the holidays are difficult. for hotels are full and ski resorts

England will be represented by David Cargill, Quentin Sutton, Russell White and Lucy Holmes, though they could have competed equally well for Canada, Switzerland or Ireland, For Wales, Ivan Jones is an indisputable choice and Roland Raikes, David Morris and Canara Myllus all have strong and Caspar Mylius all have stron Welsh connexions. cannot keep courses clear over the peak tourist period of Christmas. new year and Easter. On Thursday the championship downhill will be run down the OK course from just below the Collombin bump to the bottom at La Daille and the slalom will follow on Friday. The snow cover this wear is excellent and the As often before, the 1977 cham pionships will take place here in this first week of January, although at the cost of four leading British team members. Konrad Barnelski, Alan Stewart, Valentina lliffe and Flona Easdale are all this year is excellent and the training has been done in alternate spushine and cloud.

at Garmisch-Partenkirchen, trying out the new courses which will be used for the world champion Fuchs is in a curious position for he has little to win with Bartelski and Stewart at Carmisch and Stuart Fitzsimmons injured; be used for the world champion ships next year.
Tomorrow a home international giant statom will be held, with teams of four racers each from England. Scotland and Wales There were some problems in deciding who belongs to which nation. Peter Fuchs, for example, has an Austrian father, an English and Stuart Presiminous injured; yet he might be said to have every excuse for losing as some scar distue after a tendon operation still troubles him. But he is applying himself seriously to training and proving an inspiration to the

Elland Road on Saturday. While the other players took a day off Cherry attended the ground for treatment on a calf injury sustained against Arsenal on Monday. Cherry said: "It's very sore and at this stage I must regard myself as doubtful for Saturday, but I am hoping for the best." Cherry, the Leeds captain, has not missed a game this season.

Manthester United's injured players, Pearson and Coppell, Manchester United's injured players, Pearson and Coppell, both had treatment yesterday. Coppell missed Monday's game against Ipswich with a hamstring injury, and Pearson was substituted because of a leg injury after scoring his fourth goal in the last three games. Both are expected to be fit for Saturday's third round FA Cup tie with Walsall at Old Trafford.

Smith keeps his head as others lose their balance

help clear backlog

AFA Schools 2 FA Youth 4 This summat fixture is now recognized by the Football Association as an area trial in the brild-up of their England Youth team. The Barclays Bank sports ground at Hanger Lane was frozen but playable, and the young professionals and schoolboys gave a creditable narformance.

The Football League are auxious that the weather should relent for this Saturday's 32 FA. Cup third round ties. A League spokesman said yesterday: "If conditions are not too bad this weekend and there are not too many replays, then we are fairly confident that the backleg of fixtures can be worked in without having to extend the season."

With postponed games already running well into three figures, the League are making great efforts to ensure that all matches are cleared up before the home international championship begins on the first Saturday in June. But, with so many fixtures yet to be arranged, the League may not be able to prevent Don Revic, the England manager, losing players for the international against Netherlands at Wembley on Wednesday, February 9.

At the moment the date is clear of first and second division games, but clubs could well be forced.

of first and second division games, but clubs could well be forced to play that week to make certain there is no interference later in

the season with more important international commitments. These include World Cup games involving England, Wales and the Republic of Ireland in March, as well

as England's summer tour South America in mid-June.

physics, and schoolboys gave a creditable performance.

White was soon prominent for his bell control on the slippery surface for the FA and Fillery made two openings for the schoolboys. After 20 minutes Ford's long speculative shot caught Fry on the edge of his good area to give the schoolboys the lead.

Maughan saved twice when the FA attacked strongly and he was one of the few players able to keep his feet. Gale made a fine ron after a strong tackle and his cleverly delayed pass enabled Johnson to equalize just before half time.

Ten minutes after the interval

Ten minutes after the interval ten minutes after the interval the Youth XI took the lead after a move between Fenwick. Hughes, Johnson and Smith, Johnson's beader being nodded into the net from close range by Smith. In amother Youth attack Levy, who

Dropped striker stages walkout

Ian Scanlon, the Notts County striker, failed to report for train-ing yesterday and faces severe disciplinary measures from the club. He staged a personal pro-test after being dropped for the first time in his career with the club at Carlisle on Monday. He asked Ronald Fenton, the club manager, if he could leave

Maughen, had to make three diving saves in succession as the FA began to exert pressure. Haire dribbled and shor well on two occasions but was foiled by the agile Levy.

Both sides were beginning to master the condictions, but it was against the run of the play when the schoolboys equalized. Wajiobl.

a schoolboy international, made a brilliant individual run, beating three defenders and finishing up with the ball, hunself and the goalkeeper all in the net together. In the dying minutes, Smith scored two more enals after further clever. two more goals after further clever play by Hilaire.

AFA SCHOOLS: D. Maughan (Dane-court) (sub D. Levy. Stanmore): P. Shepherd (Burlington Danes): M. Goodal (Donners Wells). C. Reeves (Erlih, capialn). D. Howell (Holland Park). P. Smart (Brighton, Hote and Sussey). M. Fillery (Pollards Hill). P. Janaway (Enflet). Sloomfirid (Orwell). S. Fard (Hove). P. Harrison (Wilson Marriage School) (sub N. Wallobl (Brockley County School).

Palacol: D. Tyler (Arsenal), M. Nutton (Choise), N. Parkinson (Inswich
Town), W. Gibert (Crystal Palacol),
A Gale (Fulham), E. White (Lefcester
City), D. Smith (Lefcester City), C.
Johnson (Caleau), S. Hughes (City), G.
Dancel (Crystal Palacol),
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Reference D. Palmer (AFA).

the ground at half-time and, when permission was refused, he went hack to Scotland, "I have not heard from Ian", Mr Fenton said. "Obviously we are taking this very seriously, and when he comes back he will be dealt with. He could be suspended, although no decision will be taken until he

Wimbledon call on old friend The postponement of yesterday's reserve game between Queen's Park Rangers and Bristol Rovers at Loftus Road delays the comeback of Gerry Francis, the Rangers and England captain. Francis has not played this season because of a back injury which has now responded to treatment and he is making encouraging progress towards full fitness. Trevor Cherry is doubtful for Leeds United's FA Cup third round the against Norwich City at Elland Road on Saturday. While the other players took a day off to help

Allen Batsford, the Wimbledon manager, has rurned to an old friend and colleague for help in preparing the Southern League side for Saturday's clash with Jackle Charlton's Middlesbrough at Plough Lane in the third round of the FA Cup. He is Vince Craven, a former assistant to Mr Batsford at Walton and Hersham when they took the Surrey Club to their 1973 Amateur Cup success and FA Cup win against Brian Clough's Brighton the fol-Brian Clough's Brighton the fol-

Brian Clough's Brighton me tor-lowing season.

Now coach at Kingstoman, Craven was released to watch Middlesbrough's game at Everton last week and has submitted a full report to the Wimbledon

full report to the Wimbledon manager.

Thorough as ever, Mr Batsford has taken his team to warch a video tape recording of Middlesbrough's recem game against Bristol City, which was a BBC "Match of the Day". "This was very valuable", Mr Batsford said. "We were able to stop the tape and rerun it as we wanted and I am sure we have learned quite a bit."

Wimbledon have stepped up

nic a ni. Wimhledon havo stenned un Wimbledon have stepped up training to four nights a week in preparation for this match and have all their party fit. The club are rather disappointed at public response. The match is not going well locally. "All the sears have been sold", "Adrian Cook, the secretary, said, "but the demand for the terraces has been disappointing. I anticipate a crowd" for the terraces has been disappointing. I anticipate a crowdof just under 11,000 tustead of the 15,000 which we could get in."
Tickets are on sale at Plough Lane every evening from 7.0 this week and will also be on sale at the turnstiles on Saturday morning. Middlesbrough yesterday informed Mr. Cook that they day informed Mr Cook that they would be returning 2,400 of their 3,500 allocation for the match:

3.540 allocation for the match:
"To say I am disappointed would be an understatement", the Wimbledon secretary said.
Lord Peart, Leader of the House of Lords and a Wimbledon resident, will take a trip down Memory Lane with his first visit to Plough Lane on Saturday. A lifelong football follower, he recalls: "My father came from Middlesbrugeh and the first league caus: "My father came from Middlesbrough and the first league game I saw as a child was at Ayresome Park on Boxing Day when Manchester City were the visitors." Lord Peart played centre half for Durham University and was also on Durham City's and was also on Durham City's

Joe Brown, the Burnley manager, whose second division side; have gone eight matches without a win, was yesterday given a vote of confidence by the Turf Moor board of directors.

Bob Lord, the chairman, said: "We know what the fans are saying. They are expecting Joe Brown's head to roll because we have hit a sticky patch. But the board of directors are giving him, a vote of confidence, we are not making him the scapegoat."

Brown was appointed manager in succession to Jimmy Adamson'a year ago, since when Burnley have been relegated from the first division and are currently in Jeept trouble in the second, three places from the bottom.

places from the bottom.

Why McMenemy's men are worth a wager against the odds

Southampton can steal stage again

After Southampton had won the FA Cup by beating the effervescent young Manchester United team at Wembley last year, their manager. Lawrie McMenemy, hardly gave the celebration cavalcade time to stop before warning his players about the dangers ahcad. As a Geordie, he recalled that in 1973 Sunderland had even more surprisingly beaten Leeds United, but defied all predictions and were not promoted to the first division until the end of last season.

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The warnings came in Mc.
Menemy's usual colourful wrappings. He told the players that
if, metaphorically, they strutted
around with their medals around their necks they would be strangled by their own conceit. It would, he said, be twice as difficult to win promotion with everyone else wanting to turn every match into a tilt at the Cup holders. So it

has proved. Southampton are far nearer relegation than promotion, although in recent weeks their results have shown an improvement and with Alan Ball recently acquired from Alan Ball recently acquired from Arsenal, the future is not as gloomy. The imminent threat, however, is Saturday's home FA Cup the against Chelsea, a team of lively youngsters, who must feel confident of dismissing the holders at the point of entry, the third count

Southampton have a lot in common with Chelsea quite apart from having that lazily elegant former idol of Sumford Bridge crowds. looi of Stanton Bridge Crows.
Peter Osgood. In the early sevendes Chelsea won the FA Cup and
European Cup Winners' Cup yet
the League title was consistently beyond them and their highest first division placing was third. Like Southampton they could play

land. With him in that team are Alan Lobozzo, Garek Begg and Hazel Hutcheon.

to their potential on only the most illustrious stages. Osgood is the link in the character assess link in the character assessment; still a reluctant "grafter" in ordinary League games, still unreliable, ver capable of forcing forgiveness with the occasional stupendous display. This was so in the European Cup Winners' Cup defeat of Olympique Marsellie carly in September when Southampton were second to last in the second division. McMenemy distrusted the praise

McMenemy distrusted the praise that 'cli-wed and remarked that the resolution shown on the big occasion was patently missing in the League. The proof came uncomfortably quickly. Nine days later came a 6—2 defeat by Charlton Athletic which McMenemy considered the most humiliating experience in a diverse career that includes being dismissed from Doncaster Rovers. He admitted it was typical of Southampton: "It we are playing Manchester United. Rangers or a European side we're always worth having a bit of money on. If we're playing Ohham or Carlisle in mid-February, don't touch us with a barne pole." Southampton have not been alraid to spend on older players, nopiny that McMenemy's we'lknown gritty charm would overcome personal problems. The signing of Ball at 31 was not an expensive gamble in financial terms, but not many managers wanted to get involved with a man still undonbtedly fit and ready to run all the way to his next club, yet known to have financial worries. McMenemy was also prepared to take on other "problem" characters: MacDongal, who never settled at Norwich City: Osgood, who has staved longer than many people pre-City: Osgood, who has staved longer than many people pre-dicted; and McCalling. This is

Soutnampton's post-Cup perint began promisingly. They played well in summer friendly games, bearing Manchester City and Rangers in Scotland and then losing by only 1-0 to Liverpool in the Charity Shield. Injuries soon made the bookmakers' odus on them being promoted look optimistic. Turner, the goalkeeper, Blyth, and Steele were all hurt, but it was loss of form and lack of determination that saw Osgood, Gilchrist, Steele and Stokes, all members of the Cup-winning side, temporarily put on the transfer list with McMenemy's proviso that he hoped, because all were good players, that none would leave shock treatment had some effect. McMenemy is now faced with the problem of not overemphasizing the value of Cupvictory over Chelsea or the
unlikely possibility of retaining
the trophy. He admires Chelsea's
football—they beat Southamptor3—1 at Stamford Bridge earlier* this season—and thinks there is a good comparison between them and Manchester United of last

He admits that Chelsca are the fixe admits that Unelsca are the favourities because they have a fine blend of couth and experience, not only in the usual sense of the term but in youthful experience, mainly, of course, Wilkias. The impression is that Southampton would not weep over a fixed parature from the Cun but early departure from the Cup, but that with a team of strange extremes of performance they might just surprise Chelsea and

Norman Fox

Latest Euronean snow reports

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In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper slopes. following reports have been received from other sources:



Olympic Gold medal winner and world record bolder for the women's 100 metres hurdies, has refired from active sport because of a back injury, the East German youth weekly, Junge Well, said today.

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The 26-year-old aiblete received 230.—Reuter.

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Racing

Astor excellent Levy Board choice

A speech made in London yesterday at the annual general meeting of the Thoroughbred Breeders Association by Mr J. J. Astor was important for two reasons. It not only reflected the views of the president of the association, but also those of the man who is about to play an even more important role in racing.

racing. Recently, Mr Astor accepted an invitation to serve as one of the three nominees of the Jockey Club on the Horse Race Berling. Levy Board. When that vacancy, which was created by the ratirement of Captain John Macdonald Bucharam, occurred, Lord Howard de Walden, the senior steward of the Krister Club les is he known. de Walden, the semor steward of fitte Joickey Club, let it be known that the Jockey Club would accept a representative from outside its own ranks provided he was chosen by a amignity of the professional associations. Mr Astor was the popular choice.

associations. Mr Astor was the popular choice.
That may have come as a surpaise to some simply because Mr Astor is also a member of the lockey Club. The original idea was to get an outsider on the heard. But it is recognized that Mr Astor it is never been shadd to speak his mend regardless of whether lift fellow members agree with him. What really counted was his wealth of experience which should be extremely valuable.

As president of the TRA, he

As president of the TBA, he has shown a great understanding has shown a great understanding of the problems of the sport-continuative which submitted their case to the Royal Commission on gambling. Furthermore, as a former Member of Parliament and Minister, Mr Astor knows only to well how things work in higher places. These and other qualities made him an extremely good choice to serve on the Levy Board. more, as a comer Memoer of Parhament and Minister, Mr Astor
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interesting to bear Mr Astor say yesterday that the root problems gone a long way recently to resame. They are that in compension with Eire, our breeders are at a great tax disadvantage and in contrariant with the root of the various racing and breeding organizations. The second foundation for transfer with the root of the various racing and breeding organizations.

with Eine, our breeders are at a great tax disadvantage and in comparison with France our owners are at a great prize money disadvantage. Furthermore, the French breeders benefit from the enounces incentive of breeders' prizes, while the disminsing value of the pound accelerates the export of too large a proposition of our trop animals, to she United States, in particular.

In Mr Astor's opinion there are four connerstones on which British bloodstock breeding depends. The first is the establishment of a racing and breeding industry which is based on the public's desire to bet on racing and to view good racing. This racing should be of a prescribed size which is large enough to accommodate the quantity and has incentives to cultivate the quality. That suggests some measure of control by the authorides, either through the creation of economic incentives to encourage the market mechanism to work or by through the creation of economic incentives to encourage the market mechanism to work or by some form of ilcensing, or both. It is unwise, Mr Astor insisted, to expect any Government to make more money available from sampling for a racing scene unless that scene can be controlled in

All the turf organizations have had the opportunity to put their views about the best structure for racing to the Royal Commission on Gambling, but in Mr Astor's opinion it is worth remembering that the last Royal Commission reported in 1951 and it was 10 years before there was any legislation which affected racing. So it would be unvalidite the expect

gone a long way recently to respond to the legitimate hopes and aspirations of the various racing and breeding organizations.

The second foundation for breeders is to have a series of interesting and recentled participations. breeders is to have a series of internationally accepted pattern races to judge the real merit of the racehorse. In that respect the additional money that has been given to pattern races is most encouraging. The third cornerstone is the insistence that the best and the healthiest and soundest horses win races and that these winners are not running under the influence of medication, controlled or otherwise or under the influence of unnatural practices.

the influence of unnatural practices.

In this respect the first essential in Mr Astor's opinion—and he is far from alone on this count—is to ensure that the international rules of racing are synchronised. All support must be given to the British Jockey Club in any effort that they make to persuade our European colleagues to adopt our rules.

European colleagues to adopt our rules.

Mr Astor stressed that this was a real problem. It is a complicated matter and each country will want to maintain discretion about the penalties it imposes. The standard of analysis should be high and uniform, but the basic British rules seem to be the most straightforward and uncomptising and the best in the long run. The fourth cornerstone is the necessity to have a reliable method of identification of animals, and in this area it is possible that the work that is being done may prove the most satisfactory in the end.

Mr Astor said that there were some things wrong with our racing, but there was also a great deal that was right. He named our great assets as being a public which likes to gamble on racing and likes horses and a great experise in all branches of the sport. Our country, he said, happens to be going through a very bad time,



J. J. Astor : sees four cornerstones on which British bloodstock depends.

but it is not inconceivable that in a few years other European countries may be running into the same problems and our present position could be reversed and once again we could have the strongest bloodstock in Europe.

Meanwhile, during this difficult time we must do everything possible to retain as many top fillies and mares as we can. Mr Astor was adament that the retention of top females is vital. He ended his speech on a personal note by saying that he had had to resign as president of the Association because he had been asked to serve on the Levy Board. In that Lapacity you had to take an objective view about the demands of all the racing and breeding organizations and it would be inappropriate if he remained an officer. trations and it would be inappro-priate if he remained an officer of one of the organizations in-

Arthur Gill, a 43-year-old col-liery worker, will select his own racing colours this week to join the ranks of nacehorse owners.

a week.

Mr Gill of Grimethorpe, Barnsley, was a coelface fitter for 16 years at Ferrymoor collidery, mear Barnsley, before doctors ordered him to take a job above ground.

The remba-house scheme, fostered by morthern trainers Bill Elsey, Pat Rohan, Snowy Webnwright and Jack Calvert, will have 14 houses for 1977 with a professional administration.

Mr Elsey said: "The whole idea

Lanzarote waits on the weather

By Michael Seely By Michael Seely
There was no racing in Great
Britain yesterday, Ayr and Plumpton both having been ebandoned,
and there will be none today, the
thaw having come too late to save
either Lingfield Park or Doncaster. Hopes are high, however,
that both courses will be back in
action tomorrow. John Hughes and
George Boon, the respective clerks
of the courses, announced that
inspections would be held today.

Fred Winter announced vester-

Fred Winter announced yesterday that Lanzarote, whose first venture over English fences has Novices Steeplechase at Sandown Park on Saturday. If Lanzarote is to gain enough experience even to be considered as a possible contender for the Cheltenham Gold Cup, it is vital that his first appearance is not delayed too long with Cheltenham only 10 weeks

would be disastrous from every point of view if the important weekend meetings at Sandown and Haydock Park were to be lost. Both courses are staging first-class programmes. At Sandown the convenience of Saturation and I lost. Both courses are staging first-class programmes. At Sandown the centrepiece of Saturday's card is the Anthony Mildmay, Peter Cazaler Memorial Handicap Steepiechase, with £4,000 added, run over three miles and five fur-longs. The 17 acceptors at the four-day stage include last year's runaway winner, Money Market.

William Hill have opened a book

The £6,000 Tote Northern Steeple-thase in E6,000 Tote Northern Steeple-thas in E6,000 Tote Northern Steeple-thase in E6,000 Tote Northern Steeple-II at Kempt I and Shifting Gold their joint favourites at 3-1. They then go 9-1 Tamalin, races by wide and is clearly which has gas over fences. Sidered harsh

on the race and bet as follows:
5-1 Zeta's Son, Banlieu, 6-1 Money
Market, 8-1 Even Up, Top
Priority, 9-1 Barona. As Zeta's Son
blotted his copybook at Wetherby
on Boning Day, and Banlieu once
again decided to race too late
when so narrowly defeated by
Irish Tony, at Nottingham, there
seems little value in these odds.

If the ground is heavy, Money
Market who finished seventh behind Zeta's Son on good going in
the Hennessy Gold Cup could make
a bold extempt to repeat last
year's victory. Other good races
at Sandown are the £2,000 Tolworth Hurdle, where the Cheltenham winner, The Bo-Weevil will
carry top weight; a qualifying race
for the Panama Cigar Hurdle
Championship and the Express
Handicap Steeplechase, whose
seven acceptors include those fast
two-milers, Spanish Tan, Isle of
Mand and the much improved
Early Spating.

At Haydock Park, where the
Clerk of the course Pat Firth

At Haydock Park, where the clerk of the course, Pat Firth, reports that racing should be certain provided the thaw continues, the £6,000 Tote Northern Steeple-

Rent-a-horse eight-year-old is not a certain rummer. The Dickinsons keep their team fit during hard spells with 10-mile walks on the steep bills eround Gisburn, but Broncho is a special case. He suffers from "set fast" which means that his kidneys fail to function properly and that his hindquarters stiffen up unless he is cantered regularly.

This has proved impossible lately on the hard ground. On Tuesday Tony Dickinson took his string to gallop on the sands at Morecambe, but the beach was frozen so solid that when the trainer tried to make a strip suitable to work on, with a tractor, the discs failed to penetrate and the ettempt had to be abandoned. Unless Broncho can be given some fast work tomorrow morning, he plan gets under way

He will be the official owner of a two-year-old filly by Tower Walk which he and 11 others are leasing from a German baroness, Stephanie Von Schlicher. The filly, trained by Bill Elsey at Malton, is in the new rent-a-house scheme, designed to give ordinary racing enthusiasts an active interest in a horse for £6 a week.

fessional arimioistration.

Mr Elsey said: "The whole idea is to give ordinary enthusiasts like Arthur an interest in a good house, and this is a very nice felly. The baroness has sent it to us to join our scheme and when its racing career is over, it will go back to her stud in Ireland."

STATE OF GOING (official): Don-caster: (10 am inspection), Taunton Soft (2.50 pm inspection).

Cricket

Test men in print upset the manager

Melbourne, Jan 4.—Colonel Struja-uni-Din, manager of the toming Pelicistan team, has asked the Australian Cricket Board of Courtol to stop their players from writing daily columns in newspapers during Test matches. Colonel Shuja claimed during today's rest day of the second Test here, that the Australian players were waging psychological warfare in the local press and that this gave them an unfair advantage.

He said trat if his unofficial apposech to the Australian board was not successful he would con-sider speaking to the Pakistan cricket board about the matter. Among the Australians whose Among the Australians whose names appear on articles currently are the fast bowler Dennis Lallee, with a daily column in the Melbaurne paper, The Sun Newspictorial, and the captain Greg Chappell, who contributes to the national daily, The Australian.

By allowing Lallee and Chappell to write what they liked about the Pakistami team it created awkward relationships between Australia and his country, Colonel Shuja said. "Most of my team resent it", he said.

", he said. One Pakistani player who did One Paidstani player who did not agree with the manager was the captain, Mushtaq Mohammad, who writes an occasional article for the Melbourne newspaper, The Age. Mushtaq said he could not understand the manager's attitude and would speak to him about the matter.

When play resumes in the present makin tumorrow, the consent of the making tumorrow. She con-

When play resumes in the present match tomorrow, the continued excellence of the pitch might still save Pakistan, always harring another collapse against Lilee. Australia are in a commanding position, leading by 306 runs with nine second innings wickets in hand and two days remaining. The first Test in the three-match series was drawn.

Australia's barsmen are expected to attack from the start tomorrow to allow Chappell to make a lamth-time declaration. This would allow the Australians a day and a baff to bowl out the touring team. But the easy wicket, which shows lime sign of demenorating, combined with the Pakistan batting talent, should give Pakistan some hope of saving the match.

Australia are bound to miss the hope of saving the march.

Australia are bound to miss the servicus of the injured Thomson throughout the series but Lillee's present form could be emough to meet Australia's needs on the final day. Lillee, heartened by the inage roar of the crowd which arested his every ball, ripped through the heart of Pakistan's first humans yesterday by collecting five wickets for 30 runs in a seven-over soell. in a seven-over spell.

The pirch for the third Test in Sydney is likely to be more favourable so pace bowling and the Pakistanis will not relish the rhought of facing Lillee on such a wicker.

SCORES: Australia 517 for 8 dec. G. J. Coster 168, G. S. Chappell 121, G. Jewis 56: [Abd. 122] [Abd. 122] [Abd. 123] [Abd. 124] [Abd. 125] [Abd

| Calcutta and Melbourne-poles apart

fast work tomorrow morning, he will have to miss Saturday's race.

will have to miss Saturday's race. The best value at the advertised odds appear to be Canadius and Glanford Brigg. Canadius has a fine turn of foot which won him six races last seeson. Having only his second outing of the current campaign, Peter Easterby's eight-year-old ran by no means badly when fifth behind Royal Marshal II at Kempton Park on Boxing Day and should now be reaching his peak. That bold front runner, Glanford Brigg, has won both his races by wide margins this season and is clearly back to the form which has gained him 13 victories over fences. He cannot be con-

over fences. He cannot be con-sidered harshly treated with 11st

From John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent Calcutta, Jan 4

It is a nice point which Test match has made the more absorbing watching over the last three days—the one in Melbourne between Australia and Pakistan or the one here between India and England. The contrast could hardly have been greener. In Melbourne have been greater. In Melbourne 972 runs bave been scored, at Eden Gardens only 440. In Melbourne, too, the boundaries are longer than in Calcutta and the outfield is sure to be slower. In spite of all the many fine strokes the Australians and the strokes the Australians and the Pakistanis have no doubt played, there will have been times when those watching them must have felt sated with runs. What has saved that match from becoming a bore has presumably been the spell of fast bowling with which Lillee suddenly destroyed the Pakistan immegs. It may also have soared the Melbourne groundsman from being charged with making much too good a pitch.

At Eden Gardens the battmen

At Eden Gardens the battmen have been permanently chackled. If the match has been tedious it is because there have been too few strokes, not too many. If the groundsman is in trouble here it is for having made too bad a mitch not too good a one. To my witch, not too good a one. To my pitch, not too good a one. To pus his staff to work with stiff brushes, in the 48 hours before the match began, to uproot the grass and thereby help the Indian spinners, was a brazen piece of collusion. Yet with every run having to be fought for, it has been for anyone closely involved, a gripping con-

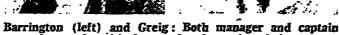
test. Keith Miller reckons that one Keith Miller reckons that one of the most fascinating days Test cricket he ever played in was at Karachi in 1956 when only 112 runs were made in the day. It was played on mating, on which Fazal Mahmood was such a brilliant exponent. Five wickets fell, four of them Australian and to reach 20, says Miller, was a major technical achievement. In Karachi Pakistan won, in Calcutta England should do, unless the slowness of the pitch prevents them.

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This second Test match between England and India has likewise been a battle for survival. That England are having the better of it, after losing the toss in conditions prepared to suit the opposition, is greatly to their credit. Greig's performance yesterday in batting from morning till evening with a temperature on him was heroic. Although he had to call again on the team's physiotherapist in the early hours of this morning, and has spent a good deal of today in bed, the captain says nothing will keep him off the field tomorrow. The way Tolchard adapted his game, once he found that his normally effer-rescent way of playing was impracticable, was also admirable.

Because Greig was preoccupied with not getting out he missed a number of full half rolleys that even on the most diabolical pitch must have been drivable. When playing like this even the full must have been thrance. When playing like this even the full tosses escape. From the time, at the very start of his innings, he drove Chandrasekhar uppishly for four (the ball went at carching height between the bowler and mid-off) Greig abandoned the



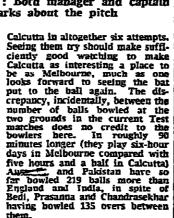


yesterday made critical remarks about the pitch stroke. In over six hours he never attempted another straight drive—an astonishing effort of self-denial, albeit an extravagant one.

What a cricketer Greig is! The most fearless and effective innings I have seen against truly fast bowling on a fiery pitch (including Brian Close's against West Indies at Lord's in 1963) was Greig's 110 against Thomson and Lillee at Brisbaue in 1974-75. Here yesterday, on a slow, turning pitch, against the best combination of spin bowlers in the world, Greig set himself to play an entirely different innings and pulled it off, with a chill to boor. I confess to being unamused by a lot of his dialogue with the crowds in India; but as a competitor to have on one's side, when the going is tough, there are few to match him.

If the pitch reality is as bad as Greig and Ken Barrington, the manager, make it out to be ("You can't believe it's a Test wicket", says Barrington: "If they're all going to be like this there won't be another cover drive in the series", says Greig' England are bound to win. At that rate not even the slowness of the pitch can save India. Yesterday it was possible for the bassmen to play aimost anything off the back foot. They could even adjust and readjust their stroke as they did so, which had to do, of course, with their losing only two wickets in the day. England's confidence lies in the hope that their faster bowlers will again be more effective than India's, and that Underwood, being faster than Bedi and Prasanna, will turn the belif has more more officency than more quickly.

If England can extend their lead, which stands at the moment at 10, by another 50 runs, and be bowling at India by tomorrow afternoon, they should record what would be their first victory in In over six hours he



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scores: India 155 (R. G. D. Willis 5 for 271: England 285 for 6 (A. W. Groig 94 not out, R. W. Tolchard 67)4

Chittagong, Bangladesh, Jan 4.

—The MCC eam beat Bangladesh
East Zone by an innings and 60
runs in a two-day match here
today, bowling the home side out
for a mere 74 in their second
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MCC, overnight 106 for two, declared at 256 for six wickets, a first-innings lead of 134 surrey's Michael Booper had to have five stitches inserted after being hit in the mouth by a rising ball. But returned to he crease to make an unbeaten 68.

Plachand, the aformer Oxford University player, took six for 24 as he went through East Zone's second innings. His 16 overs included eightmaidens. The MCC bowlers finished off the match just 15 minutes from times as East Zone's batsmen collapsed,

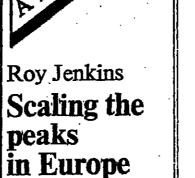
SCORES: East Zone 162 [J. D. Plachard 4—24]: MCC 256 for 6 dec [J. M. M. Hooper 68 not out]. MCC wan by an innings and 60 runs.—

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left, an extreme left, in the Labour Party. I've known it strong at times in the past. It was strong during the early fifties, though I think there is now more of an attempt, patchy, but an attempt by extremist organizations to infitrate and work through the Labour Party at the present

Labour Party at the present time—the phrase is 'entryism'. It is something which one certainly has to beware of.

"I also deeply deplore, though I have had no trouble of that sort myself I can happy to say, the attempt which one sees going on throughout the country, at Newham, Hayes and Harlington and a few other constituencies, to get rid of constituencies, to get rid of MPs because of their political views. I am obsolutely sure that if this is allowed to spread it will produce an immensely less broad-based Lebour Party and also a far less representative House of Commons."



The President of the European Commission has entered his second manhood. During the weeks since he resigned as Home Secretary, Mr Roy Jen-kins has been cooped up in a featureless room in the Cabi-net Office, with the thunder of Whitehall traffic just outside his ground floor window to speed his departure. Now the names of his 13 Commissioners have been announced, most of them of his own choosing, and he is ready to go:

peaks

"My wish is to build an effective united Europe. Now I've never sought absolutely to define exactly what I mean by this, but I've got an absolute clear sense of direction. I've never been frightened about the pace being too fast, I have been frightened about the pace being too slow. I do not think it tarrible useful to law down it's terribly useful to lay down blueprints as to whether one will be federal or confederal in the year 2000 and beyond. I want to move towards a more effectively organized Europe, politically and economically and as far as I am concerned I want to go faster, not slower." The glower which can cow slower minds is noticeably absent. He is buoyant, full of vigour and matter, a bigger man physically than one tends to recall, burly and broad-shouldered, with a massive head. Not your instant politician, but a thinking man, who shifts back on one elbow in his chair in silent concentration before making his points with verve and charm—a social democrat of prime ministerial calibre. Has disillusionment

calibre. Has disil taken him from us? "Well, one could not possibly say that I was leaving poli-tics because social democracy was dead and there was no future for it. That is not my mood, it is not my view at all. Indeed, I am not leaving British politics because of the state of British politics. I am leaving British politics because there is something else which I have been asked to do and which I want to do and which I think is very well worthwhile

"Most of the leaders of the present government are not terribly far removed from my views in practical terms. In some ways, perhaps the way they express them, their style, their attitude to politics is somewhat different, but that is true of all individuals.

"At the same time I think that British politics as at present constituted do make it essentially men of the centre— I am a man of the left centre, but I've never pretended to be terribly far away from the centre of British politics. They do make life a bit difficult for the centre to exercise the in-thence, both the left and the risht centre, which I believe it really is entitled to in view of the general state of public opinion. The gladiatorial nature of the House of Commons, with two sides lined up against each other, puts a pre-miom on disagreement rather than upon agreement.

"This is inclined on both sides to give a greater strength to the wings rather than to the centre. That is a distorting factor in British politics, particu-larly at a time when, without pulking punches, without betraying principles, without concealing houest disagree-ments, we do need, where we can, to seek agreement rather than disagreement in British

politics.
"The fact of the matter is "The fact of the matter is that there are appalling economic problems facing this country at the present time, not insoluble, I think, by any means, but greater than we've known for a generation, perhaps even longer than that All I've never liked spending a wast amount of time, when I who are involved in politics, vast amount of time, when I on both sides, must bear some didn't have business to do, in responsibility for the position the House of Commons. I responsibility for the position into which we've got. I don't think it's terribly useful, terribly relevant or terribly conreby relevant or terribly con-vincing just to engage in en endless game of tu quoque. You've got to think of some-thing else better than 'Ir's your fault',—'No, it's not, it's your fault'. There's a sterdity in this which is a danger to the country.



How much of a shock to him extent it was a natural family were the voting figures in the thing for me to do. My father had been a member of Parliament, I had always been deeply weren't really a shock to me at the shock to him all, not a great shock at any rate, On the evening before the first round of results were announced, I wrote down what announced, I wrote down what I thought would be the figures which all the candidates would receive. I got most of them fairly accurately. I think the biggest error I got was about eight, something like that, in one person's figures. The error in my own figures was four, I think I wrote down 61 or maybe 62. It's perfectly true that people who had been working most closely with me had had rather more optimistic estimates a week or so before, estimates a week or so before, somewhere in the 70s and some of them up to the low 80s. I had always been scepti-

"I had pursued a fairly independent line in Labour Party politics. In a key division in 1971 I had voted with a substantial number of other people, 68 of them, in favour of British entry into the of British entry into the Common Market. I'd resigned the deputy leadership of the party because I shought it in-creasingly difficult to maintain those responsibilities in a party whose line I disagreed

with on what was the major issue of the day. Europe's gain is our loss. He temains the one man of outstanding quality in British political life who has now seemingly forfeited the up job. His credentials would be introduced by the political life who has now without fulfilment. Wasted years might be a little strong, but it would have been very seem impeccable—son of a seem impeccable—son of a near to that.
Welsh miner who became a "Now look collected milistones round his neck—a reputation for aloof-ness, an alleged preference for the intellectual life and Estab-lishment company, the nine elegant and successful books. Is there some part of G. K. Chesterton's Man. Who was Thursday in him—a break with his social origins? Is he

picture of an ivory tower. I am an extremely gregarious person for one thing—I hate having a

meel alone.

"I think I am neither particularly good nor outstandingly bad at what one may call the glad-handing and back-skipping glad-handing and back-slapping of ordinary politics. I've always liked doing a lot of things outside politics, certainly for the last 20 years or so. I have always wanted to retain a foothold in a number of different worlds. Therefore have gone there when I had to speak, when I had to vote, occasionally when I haven't had to do either. It wasn't so much that I wasn't in the tearoom—I've certainly been there—but I probably den't read

wasn't so much that I wasn't in the tearcom—I've certainly been there—but I probably don't spend a vast amount of time there.

"I can't pretend that I have ever positively liked some aspects of electioneering. As a matter of fact, I never like do any more in the matter of fact, I never like do any more in the matter of fact, I never like do any more in the matter of the treat while, but we can't possibly can its duties under the Treaty while, but we tan't possibly can its duties under aspects of electioneering. As a master of fact, I never like making speeches. I sometimes like having made a speech if it has gone well. I sometimes hate having made a speech if it has gone badly. So far as going up to people one doesn't know in public, I do it, I honestly don't think I do it too badly, but it always requires an effort on my part, perhaps a certain sort of shyness, but I don't think I have ever had any problem about getting on with people in my constitutions of Europe, you can say what we've come and been worth while, but we can't possibly can its duties under the Treaty which are very substantial indeed. The Commistantial indeed. The Commistantial indeed. The Commistantial indeed and stone and stantial indeed. The Commistantial indeed and stone in many ways has done a very good job and most of the criticisms directed at it are misplaced. Like all institutions it would not be desirable it is not possible because Europe is buceaucracy are nonsense. It is rather small. In some cases it dramatically, not at a very difficult enough to operate an organization on a national with people in my constituency.

"If one looks at the evolution of Europe, you can say inflicting on we've got a customs union, member states is that much

don't think I have ever had any problem about getting on with people in my constituency.

"I have have had a long, smooth and very happy relationship with my constituency, even though in some sense it might be a relatively anomalous one because it is not a unit, it is one twelfth of the city of Birmingham, but it has a sense more of a wrench at leaving that than I do about leaving that than I do about leaving the House of Commons.

"On bolance I have enormously enjoyed my quite long period in British politics, I despectly wanted to get into the House of Commons. To some and tone in a sense more of commons. To some and tone in the chaos which the cream of a united Europe of the creation of certain institutions, it arose essentially out of the widespread European revulsion at the chaos which the cream of a the chaos which the cream of the cream of a united Europe to t

nad been a member of Parliament, I had always been deeply interested in politics, deeply involved in politics as an influence in the world which it had imposed upon itself by Looking back I think perhaps too involved. It might have been better to have done a solution of the world wounds. wider range of other things. I inflicted wounds of the past got into the House of and a real fear of our position commons at the age of 27 and being menaced from outside.

the long period which I spent as a backbencher, mostly in Opposition, but as a backbencher all the time. I had and early sevencies, the European never got on the front bench before I became a minister in 1964, when I had been in the House of Commons for 16

years, which is now regarded as a long period. "I once thought previously of leaving politics, as is well known, which was in 1963, when I was very tempted by a tentative offer that I should become the editor of The Economist. I thought about it and came to a pretty decisive conclusion, no, I didn't want to leave politics. Looking back, I think ir would have been a great mistake for me had I dene so at that stage, because in a sense the 15 years I had already spent in the House of

Now, looking back on nearly close associate of Clement Att-lee, grammar school, first-class honours at Balliol, a political animal from his early years. Yet in the Labour Party he labour Party he labour Party he certainly don't regard it as having been a wasted period. I don't in the least regret having done it and I wouldn't wish to have devoted my life in different directions.

"On the other hand I have been absolutely clear in my mind for a substantial number happier in an every tower than of months back that the right in a pub? thing for me to do in present "Oh, I dike pubs very much.
I often go into pubs, but that doesn't really go to the root of the question. I don't like ivory towers in so far as I have a commission. It certainly is the towers in so far as I have a commission. It certainly is the towers in so far as I have a commission. It certainly is the like ivory towers in so far as I have a commission. It certainly is the like ivory towers in so far as I have a commission. It certainly is the like ivory towers in so far as I have a commission. These few like it is the commission. The latter than the commission of the commission of the commission. It certainly is the like ivory towers in so far as I have a commission. The commission of the commission of the commission of the commission of the commission. It certainly is the like itself most dramatically in the commission. It certainly is the like itself most dramatically in the commission. It certainly is the like itself most dramatically in the commission. It certainly is the like itself most dramatically in the commission. It certainly is the like itself most dramatically in the commission. It certainly is the like itself most dramatically in the commission. It certainly is the like itself most dramatically in the commission. It certainly is the like itself most dramatically in the commission. It certainly is the like itself most dramatically in the commission. It certainly is the like itself most dramatically in the commission. years. There's a chance of it being much the most worth-while thing which I can do. It will be the most difficult thing I have ever tried to do, more difficult even than being Chancellor of the Exchequer from 1967 to 1970. At that time I didn't think anything much could be more difficult."

The European Community is in temporary disarray. The dif-fering economic performance purely by the Commission. It in the member states is caus-ing strain. The main achieve-policies of the member states ments are the customs union and it is of course inevitable and the increasingly control at the present stage that matversial common agricultural ters have to be decided in the policy. Its administration and Council of Ministers or in the its progress are still largely European Council. That was determined on a national basis, what the Treaty laid down, but by the Council of Ministers. If

the previous generations. The suffering, the death, the destruction, the impoverish-

I don't in the least regret the long period which I have spent there. I've got a great deal of happiness and satisfaction out of it.

"It doesn't mean one hasn't also gone through a period of dismay and frustration during the long period which I spent the stormach; was distincted the spent the stormach; was distincted to the spent the stormach; was distincted the spent the stormach; was distincted to the spent That fear, an actual physical fear in the stomach, was European concern.

"However, during the sixties and early seventies, the European ship, having been launched in these circumstances, was then floated along with rather benign breezes of rapidly growing and easy pros-perity. It varied between different countries, some did bet-ter than others, but broadly speaking prosperity was grow-ing during this period at a rate at which it had hardly ever grown before anywhere in the history of the world. Not only Europe, though Europe had an outstanding performance, it was also growing throughout the developed world.

"Then that climate changed dramatically, we ran into the extremely rough water of ram-pant inflation, of adverse terms of trade, through the oil price increase and other changes against the European countries, of balance of pay-ments deficits, higher levels of known throughout the whole of the postwar period. Europe has held itself together, it hasn't split apart, but it hasn't made much advance under these new challenges and what we have to find at the present time is a method by which it can advance in these more dif-ficult circumstances.

"I'm quite clear that the direct response to these new problems is not to stand still, still less to go back, though there is a danger of going back. There is greater divergence in the performance of These divergences in economic performance, which the exchange rates symbolize and represent, unless they can be corrected will carry great dangers for the future of the Community, not immediately but in the medium term. Therefore we don't have the option of just saying, 'We will stay on this plateau.' stay on this plateau

" Now this can't all be solved I hope that the Commission by the Council of Ministers. It is not to rest on its modest can perform as effective a role laurels how does it move for as possible in helping those ward again?

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As usual at new year, the Purcell Room is occupied this week by the Park Lane Group's annual series of recitals devoted to young artists and twentiethcentury music, one whose enterprise and value no longer needs stressing. The first concert on Monday was devoted to music by Walton in honour of Sir William's seventy-fifth birthday which falls this year.

Waiton's most popular works are for larger forces than the Purcell Room accommodates: poems rendered more appreciate was good to be reminded of able by their fluent but his chamber music on this occasion, from the early Sitwell songs (two of them better known in the context of Façade) to the A minor string quartet just after the Second World War, the violin sonata for Menuhin and Kentner (a compact, eloquent and durable piece),

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priately, both partners were trained in Menuhin's Stoke D'Abernon school; the musical haute couture was in evidence though Miss Davison, with all her style and fine tone, re-mained apparently uninvolved in her music.

When the A minor string quartet began, I had grave doubts about the Coull Quartet, so shallow was their corporate sonority, hard and brittle, not

out-of-tune but tonally colour-less. No doubt they were nervous, like everybody else on the platform. Their ensemble was faultless, and in the slow movement (unique in Walton's output) they allowed sonority to make itself felt, but they were most telling in the Scherzo and the crackling finale. On Sunday the third of

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Max Harrison Piano recitals are relatively

quiet events, or at least appear so when given in large halls, and, on Sunday's evidence, one and, on Sunday's evidence, one may doubt if it is altogether wise to offer an all-Chopin programme at the Albert Hall during winter. Although this plush venue was by no means full, there always seemed to be somebody somewhere, who was coughing. Through it all, how-ever, Daniel Barenboim could be heard making an excellent start on the Fantasy Op 49. Alas, if the opening pages were sensitively balanced as to tone and phrasing, there was care-lessness in later and faster passages, and this may have been induced by the need to carry the music to the farthest corners of that vast auditorium.

Certainly we at the end were left with little sense of the cumulative shape of one of Chopin's most striking formal achievements. Though a piece of quite different character, the Nocturne Op. 27. No 2, while impressively fluent, conveyed a similar impression of going in no particular direction but simply continuing until it stopped. Chopin's Sonata

stopped. Chopin's Sonata Op. 35 makes far more complex demands both musically and intellectually, of course, and, after a perfunctory, even hurried, exposition, Mr Baren-boim gate an interesting and boim gave an interesting and thoughtful account of the first movement's development section, this being the most engaging moment of the recital. He also responded well to the lyricism of the Trios of the cherzo and the Funeral March, although the main bodies of both of these movements were innocent of subtlety even if

played with considerable technical address.

Rather like the Fantasy which opened the programme, the Ballade Op. 23 which started the second half had a beautiful beginning whose effect was cancelled later on by an all-too-evident need for both more speed and less haste. The D flat Prelude, one of a group of half a dozen from Op. 28, again re-minded us of how perceptively Mr Barenboim can play the piano, but its companion pieces sounded merely facile.

This impression was in turn obliterated by a really lovely reading of Chopin's Waltz, Op. 34, No 2, full of expressive nuances. There was no escaping the fact, however, that this overall was an extremely un-even recital in terms both of performance and, more especially, of interpretative aims. Never did Mr Barenboim probe at all deeply, rarely did the music appear to mean anything personal to him, and scarcely ever was any feeling of urgency conveyed

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yes-terday's later editions.





Adrian's design for Joan Crawford in 'Dancing Lady ' and, right, Cecil Beaton's for Barbra Streisand in On a Clear Day You Can See Forever' (from Costume Design in the Movies)

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MGM's great Adrian had trouble designing for Joan Crawford in her early days, but hit on the solution of compensating for her heavy problems faced and overcome: problems with individual star compensating for her heavy hips with broad padded shoul-

much, so designers were obliged to use softer materials such as velvet and wool. The result was styles that hugged the form; and there is no doubt that the screen contribu-

ted largely to the Thirties' rediscovery of the more intimate contours of women, which had been suppressed by the hard-line boyish styles of the 1920s. It was the studio designers, along with the make-up men, the hairdressers and the photo-

conturier Nancy Carroll did to a dress rather monotonously about the

graceless proportions, fluctuating weight (poor Judy Garland ders: and women everywhere, regardless of the shape of their hips, affected the same square pugilist formation.

Technical factors as well as Bette Davis's refusal to confine the same better Davis's refu

> and heroines of Hollywood till now; but in the way of pub-lishing, two books coincide, covering very nearly the same ground. David Chierichetti

of her nephew, though the results were disappointing. The contrast of personalities was happier in Schumann's Andante and Variations, given in its first version with two cellos and horn (difficult to balance satisfactorily), best of all in Bartok's two-piano sonata where both pianists played out in proper style.

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the tastes, temperaments and her healthy but heavy bust in brassieres, pleaded: "Give me could affect fashion. When sound films were introduced. Silks and satins rustled too much, so designers were much, so designers were much, so designers were and heroise of Hollymore films and sating rustled to use softer materials."

Bette Davis's retusal to contine is proved by the whole Miss Leese has some way to break her the edge on Chierichetti for completeness (comparatively speaking) and accuracy; and heroise of Hollymore in their films of the state o exhaustive index of films and appendix of costume Oscar awards. Nobody's perfect: Miss Leese leaves out Dwight Franklin, who designed The ground. David Chierichetti Galls his, precisely, Hollywood Costume Designs; Elizabeth Leese calls hers Costume Design in the Movies, but then confines it strictly to Hollywood and Britain. She is particularly interested in the impact of haute couture on Hollywood (many of the best designers, like Howard Greer and Trayis Franklin, who designed The Black Pirate, the redoubtable Natasha Rambova and the early work of Edith Head. David Chierichetti forgets (inter al) Theoni V. Aldredge, who designed The Gasby. and Helen Colvig whose credits go from Psycho Charley Varrick. Miss Leese, like Howard Greer and Trayis

David Robinson

but the feeling wears off after a while and there's a wonder-

ful convenience about New York which makes up for most

things. I feel more resilient here, less inclined to fall foul

of my emotions, and I like liv-ing midtown even if everyone

else seems to be moving out to the suburbs these days. We have a three-bedroom apart-

ment with a tiny kitchen, but in a nice modern block; we

don't have a car but we eat out a lot, and to live like this in London we'd have to be a

What about the current state of Broadway? "Well, certainly it's not as exciting as it might

be; last year three big musi-cals (Rex, 1600 Pennsylvania

Tomorrow's Books Page will include Michael Ratcliffe on Stefan Heym's new novel.

Lynn Redgrave: doing better in America

With Jerry Lewis on the pre-Broadway tour of Hellzapoppin (an updated version of the freeform revue of the 1930s) will be Lynn Redgrave, now a New York resident with a cluster of recent American appearances to her credit including a triumphant revival of Mrs Warren's Projession, a guest-starring role on Kojak and a less than wholly successful Broadway season in a new Jules Feiffer play called Knock Knock.

For Miss Redgrave and for her husband John Clark (who was a child actor in Will Hay films, then became a photographer and is now an actor again) and for their two children home is now an apartment opposite Carnegie Hall and conveniently sited also for the Russian Tea Room there. But the Clark family decision to live in New York, explains Miss Redgrave, came about

largely by accident:
"Looking back, I'd like to
think there had been some kind of pattern to our life so far but I don't think that's really true and certainly we never intended to settle here forever-it's just that every time we start to think about going home something like Hell-apoppin seems to come

along.
"I first came here 10 years ago, just after I'd left the National, to play in Black Comedy. Then I went back to England and met John and we married and bought a large house on Barnes Common, but then we fell in love with Ireland and thought we'd live there and sort of commute. Then we got into terrible money trouble trying to self the house in London to a man who was about to go bankrupt, and that's taken five whole and I seemed to be on aero-planes all the time and Ireland wasn't such a good idea after

"The children didn't care But what about the family Though now committed to for moving back and forth ties to Epgland? "Well, I've New York life, Lynn Redgrave across the Atlantic either, so never been terribly close to does not seem to be a very devour member of the English My Fat Friend [which ran a course I see them when they year on Broadway] John come to play over here. But I decided he could work here too and now we're officially kempson] a lot, and my father residents, although I have to re-register with the authority. when I had a success here in re-register with the authorities tal just the other week. Vanessa every January. But nothing is and Corin have always been rorever if you're an actress. I much more politically commit-just seem to do better over ted than me: I only ever voted once, and that was for the contained once, and that was for the contained once. Conceivably because there

aren't so many other Redgraves
around?

Conservative area so it didn't seem to have much effect." around?
"No, I don't think it's that— "No, I don't think it's that—
Lyon Redgrave got her stage
but unlike a lot of other start at the age of 19 when, in anywhere here. Sometimes I English actors over here I 1962, she went straight from wake up in the mornings long-rather enjoy playing idiotic the Central School of Speech ing for the sight of my television panel games and and Drama into a disastrous mother's cottage in Hampshire

being a regular guest on chat production by Tony Richard shows and all the other things son (her then brother in law) you have to do in order to of A Midsummer Night's persuade people to come into Dream at the Royal Court: the theatre and see you in a play. Also I get cast in American parts now, and there's a tremendous variety of work this year alone I've done a Hollywood disaster movie called The Big Bus, and then Misalliance in Chicago with Irene Worth, and now Hellzayears to sort out, but in the poppin with Jerry Lewis and a into the National to play a meantime a lot of offers real live dog act. Then there Court lady in their opening started to come from over here was Kojak too; you can't say production of Homlet in 1963 and I seemed to be on aero- it ever gets boring. Besides and I stayed there right I've always wanted to sing and through Hay Fever and Mother dance on the stage and now's Courage up to the end of

Vanessa or Corin, though of Labour Party in a hopelessly

"That must have been the starriest disaster of all time: Corin was in it, and Nicol Williamson, and Samantha Eggar and Rita Tushingham and Robert Land and David Warner and Ronnie Barker and James Bolam and still it all fell apart. But then I got

devout member of the English community on Broadway. "I think in California there's more of a tendency for the English to stick close together—some of the bars there might as well be in Shep-herd's Bush. But in New York we're more inclined to go our ted than me: I only ever voted separate ways and have Amerionce, and that was for the can friends—at least I seem to. "What do I miss? Little things, stupid things, like double cream and good pork

Avenue and Home Sweet Homer each lost more than a million dollars and closed within weeks if not days, so there's a great and understandthere's a great and understand-able fear of doing expensive new musicals at the moment hence all these revivals. But that will surely change—every-thing around here changes every few months." What, finally, about Holly-wood? "Well, there do still seem to be occasional signs of life there. I get a lot of televi-sion offers, mainly I think because Georgy Girl and The Happy Hooker are forever playing on the Late Show. But I've done a lot of bad movies

Pve done a lot of bad movies there in my time, including one which celebrated Victor Mature's comeback and his reretirement all at once. So I think in the long run I'll suck to Broadway, though since Mrs Warren's Projession and Misal-liance I get a lot of Shaw offers from regional theatres all over the States. I think if the right Shaw revival came along I'd even come back to

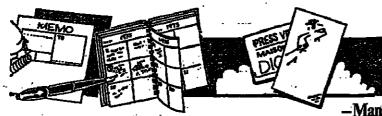
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Gene Pitney's British concert tour

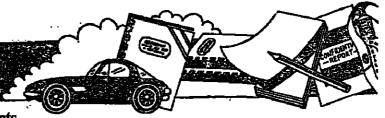
The American singer Gene Pitney is shortly to undertake his first major British concert tour for several years. The tour, presented by Kennedy Street Enterprises, opens on February 13 at the Coventry Theatre, followed by appearances at the New Theatre, Oxford; Grand Theatre, Leeds; New South-port Theatre; ABC Theatre, Blackpool; Capitol Theatre, Aberdeen. Apollo Theatre, Glasgow; Civic Theatre, Wolverhampton; Guildhall, Ports-mouth; Leisure Centre, Gloucester; Colston Hall, Bristol; Gaumont Theatre, Ipswich; and the London Pal-

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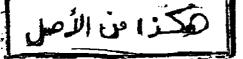
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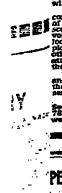
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The trensformation of India into a fully authoritarian regime under its seedy dictator, Mrs Indira Gaudhi, has proceeded considerably farther since I gave a detailed account here of the wide range of measures being used to censor, inhibit, harass, terrorize or drive out of business those newspapers and magazines still newspapers and magazines still resisting her increasingly oppressive rule. Control of the for dictatorship as well as a useful definition of it, but it is only one part of the apparatus of tyranny, and today and tomorrow I propose to examine in some detail the Bill put forward to remove from the Indian Constitution the safeguards against the assumption by a Prime Minister of dicta-torial power; the Bill has passed both houses of the Indian Parliament (in which Mrs Gandhi has a tame majority for anything she proposes, made more secure by the con-tinued detention, without trial, of many members of the Oppoand now awaits the formality of its ratification by the states (India has a quasifederal system of government). Meanwhile, Mrs Gandhi has Meanwhile, Mrs Gandhi has just decided to cancel the parliamentary elections due next spring and already post-poned for a year under her emergency legislation; she could not risk rejections could not risk rejection by the people before she is in a posi-tion either to control the outcome of an election or to ignore if it is not to her taste. Constitution (44th Amendment) Bill, which for convenience, I shall call "the Legislation", has been well described by Mr H. V. Kamath,

Constituent Assembly that drew up the Indian Constitu-tion, who described it as "neither amending or mending but simply ending the Constitution". This is an apt description both because of the neat it makes a political point, because the Legislation, though ostensibly intended only to amend the Constitution to make it more fitting for modern conditions, does indeed mentally alter not only dual items in the basic law, whole nature, removing fundawhole nature, removing landa-mental rights guaranteed to individuals and to states, put-ting the judiciary further under the control of Mrs Gandhi and her group, and making it possible from now on for her to amend the President, thus turned into Constitution ensures that any amended Constitution still furnothing but the instrument of such restrictions on the Fundather without even the largely the Prime Minister's political mental Rights must not be

one of the members of the

As Mrs Gandhi moves towards making her personal rule permanent, the President is turned into nothing but the instrument of her political will

parliamentary approval.

The Legislation, it should be noted, is an extension, though on a much greater scale, of the tampering with the Constitu-tion that has already gone on since Mrs Gandhi started movobtaining subsequent parlia-mentary approval. So since Mrs Gandhi will constitu-Mrs Gandhi will constitu-tionally control the President ing towards a dictatorship in June, 1975. Already, for in-stance, she has ensured that no power. Moreover, a further item in the Legislation provides that laws and decrees made under a state of emer-gency will no longer lapse declaration of emergency (under which she can act with dictatorial powers) may be considered by the courts, even one made mala fide. Another alteration in the Constitution which has been put forward would give immunity from criminal prosecution for acts committed during, or even itself ends; they will cominue in force unless specifically repealed. This means that the Maintenance of Internal Security Act (originally passed under an earlier state of emercommitted during, or even before, their tenure of office, by the Prime Minister, the President and Vice-President, and other high political figures. And another such amendment, which was struck down by the Supreme Court, sought to place Mrs Gandh's election because with the property of the supreme court, sought to place Mrs Gandh's gency, and now used to ensure that thousands of Indians continue to be detained without trial or redress) will remain in existence even when the emergency is officially declared to be over. In other words, the Legislation gives Mrs Gandhi the unchallengeable right to go on indefinitely imprisoning, no less indefinitely, anyone she disappropre election beyond judicial scru-tiny even though it had been held to have been obtained by corrupt practices. (Under the comprehensive assault on the disapproves of. Nor is this by any means all. In the pre-Legislation In-dian Constitution, there were a remaining constitutional safe-guards contained in the Legislation, the Supreme Court would be unable to make such

number of clauses enshrining what were there defined as theoretically remain even after the Legislation is passed; Under the Legislation, the President of India is deprived these include freedom of of one of the most important of India's constitutional safeexpression, association and assembly. It was long ago recognized that there were, or guards: his political independence. As Mrs Gandhi moves towards making her personal rule permanent, the President's independence could be a bar-Rights might have to be res-tricted or curtailed (even the most democratic of countries rier: he is now to be constitu-tionally obliged to act only as have, in war for instance, placed limits on many fundashe directs, and his residual discretionary powers are with-

"unreasonable", and gives power to the judiciary to determine what is and is not, determine what is and is not, in this context, unreasonable.
Already, there have been encroachments on the Fundamental Rights. One of these being the right to acquire, own and dispose of property, a number of restrictions on that right have been, understandably, enacted over the years in order, for instance, to bring about agricultural reform, and order, for instance, in order about agricultural reform, and these restrictions have been placed beyond judicial review. Mrs Gandhi has already added mrs Ganoni has already added to the list of such freedom-restricting but scrutiny-exempt provisions a number of measures, including the Prevention of Publication of Objectionable Matter Act (which she uses to stop press criticism of her); that, and others, have been put beyond judicial review by their inclusion in a section of the Consti tution previously confined to nothing to do with any such conflict of economic interests.

to go much farther, under the Legislation. Referring to the Directive Principles (also a Directive Principles (also a basic part of the Constitution, laying down the aims and objects which the State should try to achieve in the interests of the people and their rights and welfare), the Legislation provides that no law or administration action designed. administrative action designed to further the Directive Princi-ples shall be held contrary to the Constitution on the ground that it violates the Fundamen that it violates the rundamen-tal Rights—including the Fun-damental Rights pertaining to liberty of opinion, equality before the law, and the free-dom to associate with others in pursuit of lawful ends. The Constitution already allows for restrictions on such rights, provided the restrictions are not removes that safeguard, and gives Mrs Gandhi the right to limit or abolish at whim even the most fundamental of democratic rights, whether she is acting reasonably or not. All that any such measure is designed to further the Directive Principles, and since these are sufficiently wide for any law whatever to be said to be in accordance with them (they cover everything from equal pay to cow-slaughter), there will be no possibility of challenging even the most tyran-nous of enactments by claiming that it violates the Fundamental Rights and that its pro-

And it is already possible to see what kind of legislation Mrs Gandhi will introduce once she is freed of such me restrictions as are provided by an obligation to act reasonably when taking away the people's basic rights. Incorporated into the Legisla-tion is a provision to make illegal anti-national activi-ties", which are themselves defined so broadly as to give Mrs Gandhi the opportunity to prohibit any activity at all which she finds embarrassing or critical. The Constitution already contains a provision under which political activities may be restricted; but this also is subject to review by the Supreme Court on the basis of whether it is reasonable or not. By putting such a clause not. By putting such a clause into the Constitution itself, drawn as widely as this one is, Mrs Gandhi gives herself the power to stifle any kind of opposition without any fear that the courts may hold that she is acting unreasonably and that her actions are therefore universified.

unjustified.

I shall continue with an analysis of further provisions of the Legislation, and offer some conclusions, tomorrow. © Times Newspapers Ltd, 1977

at Finsbury Fields 323 BC. Alexander the Great | 19 Louis Aubert, French | 29 John pianist and composer, born 21 Baruch de Spinoza, Dutch philosopher, died 1677
John Oxenford, playwright,
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Times, 1846-75), died 1877

MARCH 6 Rose Fyleman, writer for children, born 1877 13 Charles Conden Clarke,

writer, died 1877 Juan Manuel de Rosas. Argentine dictator, died

17 Patrick Brontë, clergyman and father of Charlotte, Emily and Anne, born 1777 24 Walter Bagehot, economist and journalist, died 1877 Wenzel Hollar, Bohemi Wenzel Hollar, Bohemian etcher, died 1677

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First Viscount Stansgate,
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15 Matheson Lang, actor-manager, born 1877

16 David Urquhart, diplomatist and publicist, died 1877

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ologist, born 1877 17 Edward Hiffe, first Baron Iliffe, newspaper proprietor, born 1877 20 Sir Desmond McCarthy Desmond McCarthy,

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TUNE

Anniversaries in 1977

A passion for horses : the Aga Khan and Peter Paul Rubens.

Rubens, the Aga Khan

and curtain up

14 Mary Carpenter, educational and social reformer, died 15 Caroline Elizabeth Sarah Norton, writer, died 1877

16 Jean Baptiste Louis Gresset, french poet and dramatist, 18 Sir Willmott Lewis, journalist (The Times correspon-dent in Washington, 1920-

Edward III. King of England (1327-77), died 1377
Sir John Ross, Arctic explorer, born 1777

Peter Paul Rubens, Dutch

Aventinus (Johann Tur-mair), scholar, born 1477 Henry Hallam historian,

painter, born 1577

born 1777 Thomas West, 12th Baron De La Warr, colonial gover-nor in America, born 1577 Thomas Campbell, Scottish poet, born 1777 Ernó Dohnányi, Hungarian

AUGUST 12 Sir Thomas Smith, scholar and diplomatist, died 1577 14 Hans Christian Oersted, Danish physicist, born 1777 28 Charles

Charles Stewart Rolls, engineer and aviator, born Brigham Young, Mormon leader, died 1877 29

SEPTEMBER 1 Rex Beach, American nove-list, born 1877 Louis Adolphe

French president (1871-3) and historian, died 1877 7/17 Stephen Hales, physiolo-gist, born 1677

9 James Evershed Agate, dramatic critic, born 1877
Sir James Jeans, mathematician and astronomer, born

American historian, died 22 John Bartram, American

botanist and explorer, died

25 Beautiful Railway Bridge of the Silvery Tayl" opened 1877

OCTOBER 7 George Gascoigue,

10 William Richard Morris, first Viscount Nuffield motor-car manufacturer and philanthropist, born 1877 16 Francis Glisson, physician, died 1677

18 Heinrich von Kleist, Ger-man dramatist and poet,

21 Samuel Foote, dramatist and actor, died 1777. 29 Wilfred Rhodes, cricketer, born 1877

NOVEMBER 1 Roger Quilter, composer, born 1877

Sir Mohammed Shah, Aga

Khan UI, 48th head of the Ismaili sect of the Shiah Victor Trumper, Australian

cricketer, born 1877 9 Gilbert Sheldon, Archbishop of Canterbury (1663-77),

10 Jacob Cats, Dutch poet and

humorist, born 1577
25 Harley Granville-Barker, actor, producer, dramatist and critic, born 1877

DECEMBER

2 Benno Elkan, sculptor, born 4 Madame Jeanne Françoise Récamier, French patron of

the arts, born 1777 17 Albrecht von Haller, Swiss anatomist, died 1777 27 Wenman Bassett

model maker, born 1877
Nikolay Nekrasov, Russian
roet, died 1877
Gustave Courbet, French
painter, died 1877

Jack Lonsdale

James Harrington, political philosopher, died 1677 which might trouble first-year students at Berlitz. English, he said, had only risen to its pre-sent prestige in the past 30 SHold the front page - if there is one....

> Quirk did not much like the idea of a standardized English pronunciation. Standardization. pronunciation. Standardization, after all, did not save Latin or French. Nationalism, which was currently popular throughout the world, would see to that. Quirk remarked that in Paddington station the other day, he heard a train announcement in Welch

"In New Zealand recently I found that the only foreign language of which teaching is rival in this century or the

Disgraceful



I tracked down Sir Barely Shirring, chairman of Unconsolidated Consolidateds, in his hotel room at Cannes. "It's disgraceful", he told me. "Your average working chappie nowadays doesn't know what work is. Now take me, this is my first real holiday since Septemher, and it was arranged well her, and it was arranged well in advance. Even so I've had to bring my secretary with me to deal with things as they crop up, and to type my angry letters to The Times."

was, after all, taking time off himself, he grew angry. "Class envy, that's what that is", he fumed. "A canker worse than racial hatred. It's what's bring ing this country down. If the chans on the shop floor would work a bit harder they wouldn't

have time to worry about what their betters are doing. "Of course we get longer holidays than them. We work damned hard, discussing and making decisions and things. But the Government is quite crazy to give all this statutory time off.

"What they ought to have done was to switch the Thursday before Christmas with the Friday after Christmas, which

would mean that New Year's day would always be on a Monday, and we would save two clear working days. But of Course you wouldn't expect a Government that encourages idlers and scroungers to think of that"

Alan Idle, a Conservative MP, told me: "I've been spending the recess in my constituency making statements to the press about how we have too many holidays. Well, not exactly in my constituency, but just outside it, where a friend has some good shocting.
"The national slackness is

quite disgraceful. I bet the Hun is laughing all over his tiny face tonight. If I were the man from the IMF I would keep a rigid grip on my cheque book, I can tell you."

When I tried to ring the IMF in Washington for their reaction, a telephone answering machine invited me to state the sum I wanted to borrow, and promised to put a cheque in the post after the holiday.

A postcard of Margate, posted there at 2.30 pm on June 2, 1925, reached its destination in Hampstend last week. Its Ceorge V penny stamp had heen refranked at Paddington on Christmas Ere with the appropriate advice: "Remember to use the Postcode."

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Minister of War, born 1877 Leaving aside the Marble Arch branch of Marks and Spencer, the British asset most earnestly sought by foreigners is our language. Teachers of English

1777

as a foreign language are holding a conference in Oxford this week to discuss how best to preserve English as the principal international tongue.

Judging by the opening debate at the Oxford College of Further Education yesterday, the main trouble is that it does not belong to us any more

belong to us any more. That English reigns supreme as the lingua franca of diplomacy, business and technology was in no doubt by the members of the International Association of Teachers of English as a Foreign Language. Even the French delegate from the Federation Internationale des Professeurs des Language. des Professeurs des Langues Vivantes had to admit that his organization tow used English as an official language, clearly a body blow to Gallic pride.

The trouble is that so many varieties of English are spring-

varieties of English are spring-ing up that one is becoming incomprehensible to speakers of the other. Albert Gimson, him-self a professor of English at London University, remarked, "We have all met distinguished professors of English who know

professors of English who know all the grammar but are totally unable to speak it." Gimson spoke it quite well, but was forced to admit: "I do not always catch all the phrases in Kojak".

Gimson thought that the trend towards fragmentation of English pronunciation was likely to continue, with Africans, Indians, Australians, and Americans all speaking mutually incomprehensible varities. The French never had this trouble when their language was in vogue, partly because of the rigidity of its teaching and partly because of teaching and partly because of one standardization imposed by the Academie Française.

The Times **Diary**

1377 Filippo Brunelleschi, Italian architect, born 1477 (?) Giorgio Giorgione, Italian painter, born

Sir Thomas Boleyn born, Beatrice Cenci, Roman

woman, subject of poems, plays and novels,

(?) George Farquhar Irish dramatist, born

Abraham Darby, iron

William Henry Ireland, forger of Shakespearian

manuscripts, born Sir Robert Ker Porter

painter and traveller,

1877 The Library Association

2 Christian Daniel Rauch,

German sculptor, born 1777

American canitalist, died

14 William Martin Leake, anti-

22 Hjalmar Schacht, German financier, born 1877

Joseph Hume, politician, born 1777 28 The emperor Henry IV paid

FEBRUARY 1 Thomas Dunhill, composer,

3 Hugh Kelly, Irish dramatist and poet, died 1777 8 Robert Burton, divine and

12 Friedrich Heinrich Karl Fouqué, Baron de la Motte, German romanticist, born

writer, born 1576-77

penance before Pope Gregory VII at Canossa, 1077
John Hughes, poet, born
1677

sculptor, born 1777

Lorenzo

Bartolini, Italian

Hume, politician,

Vanderbilt

manufacturer, born

Curtain Theatre

English garbled world wide

Gimson was to adopt an inter-national synthetic pronunciation of English, an idea supported by the Duke of Edinburgh in a by the Diag of welcome he sent when he discovered he was too busy to come in person. "It is busy to come in person. "It is possible", said Gimson, "to speak a sort of English using only one vowel sound and 14 consonants." He demonstrated with a short reading, and sounded remarkably like Sir Harold Wilson.

He also suggested that foreigners might be taught Scottish English, with its flat vowels and absence of diphthongs, which everyone understood except the English. But he rejected that, too, and concluded that it was best to allow different varieties of English to develop, which was all right as long as foreigners got the stress patters right, and did not say things like suitable and testimony.

Randolph Quirk, another of London University's English eminences, reminded everyone that international languages had never been chosen for suitability, but rather because of the political influence of the mother nation. Even Latin would not have been of much use had it not taken over Cook. use had it not taken over Greek and "relexicated itself", a term

years, and its continued popularity largely depended on the continuing political influence of the United States.

in Welsh. language of which teaching is on the increase is Japanese. Elsewhere, German is much underused if you consider the power and influence of Germany. And Russian and Chinese are waiting in the wings. But I do not think that English will have any serious rival in this century or the

According to the BBC's Hand-book for 1977, page 315, then now have a "director of per-sonne", which shows just how for the economy drive has gone.

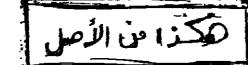
Now that most of the nation has finally returned to work. Justow Serious, my concerned reporter, analyses the effect of the prolonged Christmas and New Year stoppage:

Apara from the West End shops, busily selling our remaining national assets to foreigners at knockdown prices, it has been the Chirstmas of the long sleep. At a time of financial crists, can we afford all this time off? I sought the views of



some leading businessmen and

When I put it to him that he





State of the union

Divided we stand ...

- 3ritain was a world power challenge of the SNP has dom. ir the other nations of the Plaid Cymru, with three inited Kingdom. It opened MPs, hopes that Wales can follow in the wake of Scotland And in recent morning. reater influence in the rester influence in the the call has been heard more orld's affairs than they insistently for independence ruld ever have obtained by for Northern Ireland. remselves. As long as there

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hanged over the past 25 to be weak for trouble to ears. The Empire has gone. in aura of success no longer finds it harder to cope with ttaches to the enterprise such trouble. taches to the enterprise at is the United Kingdom. The conflict in Ulster is Britain has been to pay lip he European Community essentially between the service to the principle of as brought both a reminder different communities there. local autonomy but to insist But Britain's failure either in practice upon a high the other British nations, to resolve or to suppress articularly to the Scots, of that conflict; the growing tear historic links with a sense of distance between ider Europe and an aware. Northern Ireland and the ess that the nation state is rest of the United Kingdom; possibly an awareness of the United Kingdom; and longer the only political European dimension; and nit that counts. A small certainly an increasing mood . at larger grouping.

For all these reasons the conditions of the 1950s there are losser the larger of the part ad been the Scottish none of these countries has A corresponding process ovenant which attracted dence attracted anything like might set in motion is for time two million signatures majority support as yet. But Westminster to become some of them probably one of the most fundamen much more of an English ogus in support of a tal changes over the past 25 Parliament in a double ogus—an support of a defication of what are it is a melancholy fact to two decades, than in its main last, relatively.

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All the available evidence termed "working-class have to record that fact to have to record that the outcotland was stirring even stirring even stirring even stirring even to the state as now consequential competitors, the Generally, professors (I suggests that culture in values", and a consequential standing social development of the reign of Queen Elizabeth as the professor of the educated those who believe in the professor of the educated pend in great part, as Moreover, the business of beth has been the professor.

egan Britain was still an by-election in 1945, but he ously through Parliament, is tish and Welsh MPs? Public neperial power, the EEC was had refused to take his sear o more than a gleam in M and was then defeated at the foundative eye, and the integ general election a few tions. If it finally reaches there are, come in be retired to the united Kingdom months later. Now, with the statute book, which must garded almost as second-class their anneal strengthened by Still be a matter for specular whose prospects for ras not in question. their appeal strengthened by still be a matter for specure members whose prospects for These facts were not une the discovery of North Sea and with 11 MPs, the connected. As long as oil and with 11 MPs, the facts were challenge of the SNP has the United King. The distinction between

> change of the first order. It is true that Northern Ireland had just such an assembly at Stormont for some 50 years, but that did not cover land. And in recent mouths a sufficiently large part of the United Kingdom to affect its central operations. Assemblies in Edinburgh and Cardiff will be a very different matter.

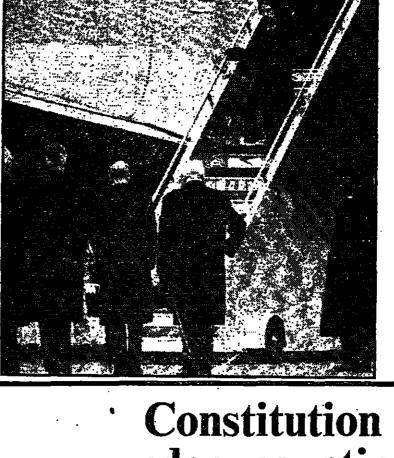
> These will open the way to much wider variations in standards and practices in different areas of the United Kingdom in such matters as housing, education, health care, social welfare, roads erupt in Ireland, though an enfeebled Britain naturally

Ningdom in such matters as and Edinburgh will largely and managerial middle class. Tenoried that an engineer at they take part in. a wide class. Socialists of an earlier various following editocation, health the class of the control of the absolute of the principle of the absolute of the principle of service to the principle of ation can now be an inde- of desperation have all en- from England-much more endent state and part of couraged some people in so than the present Scottish both communities in Ulster and Welsh Offices—even if

The distinction between devolution and federalism is in an international empire become one of the most The mere fact of creating drawn frequently and insisters was a special pride in potent forces in British polisubordinate assemblies in tently. But one of the marks what has previously been a of federalism is that the partnership with England tics.

Plaid Cymru, with three sponsibility and power is cir-cumscribed in law. So too will Westminster's be in effect through this scheme of

That is not so in theory. The sovereignty of Parlia-





under mounting attack

Twenty-five years ago there was general satisfaction with the constitution. There was even some pride in it, which the inauguration of the new reign decorated. The British form of parliamentary democracy seemed, to the British at any rate, to have got things about

The nation had weathered the perils of war and labours of postwar reconstruction, and was still very much intact. The constitution had shown itself tough enough to with stand those strains and flexible enough to absorb changes amounting to something like a social revolution. The precious products of the system remained: order, liberty, the rule of law. Even plenty was beginning to return. The nation had its troubles, but they were not perceived as being constitutional in kind.

How different now in the tweaty-fifth year of the reign. There are few parts of the constitution—the monarchy is one of them—which are not the subject of mounting complaint, the target for radical reform.
One thing about the criticism that stands out is the sheer respectability of its origins. It is not Chartists, Marxists or Red Moles who are faming the discontent, but peers of the realm, former Lord Chancellors, Lord Luctice of Appeal Justices of Appeal. There is more constitu-tional radicalism inside the Athenaeum than

Take Lord Hailsham. He is the Cicero of this time and place. He has held the consul-ship. He patrols the frontier between law and politics. He has due reverence for the official religion. He takes an elevated view of the duties of public life and eloquently expounds the perennial philosophy. No doubt when the dictator, whose approaching shadow he already spots, ascends the Capitol, Lord Hailsham will be there among the conspirators: et tu, Quintin. . . .

For the present he has the television screen, on which he declares that the historic British constitution is worn out, that we live under an elective dictatorship, absolute in theory if hitherto thought tolerable in practice, that we are moving to a totalitarianism which only a systematic and radical overhaul of our constitution can avert.

Lord Hailsham is echoed by the Moderator of the General Assemby of the Church of Scot-land, no less, preaching from the pulpit of Westminster Abbey. While the roll of patronage of the National Committee for Electoral Reform, which wants a proportional system, reads like the guest list for a Lord Mayor's Banquet. (Is it possible that some of the air may escape from that balloon with the advancing likelihood of a thumping Conservative majority under the unregenerate system of elections?)

The main thrust of complaint is that the checks and balances the constitution formerly provided have atrophied; that the blurred, but discernible, separation of powers which used to mark it scarcely survives; that the sovereignty of Parliament has come to mean the exercise of power by the government of the day in the absence of constitutional constraints.

It is also said that arrangements devised for the use and control of political power at a time when the scope of government was narrow are obsolete now that the range and volume of public business have hugely increased; that this has permitted the bureaucracy to escape political control; and that in the political con-ditions of today the first-past-the-post system of election tends to produce a House of Com-mons whose composition is a grossly distorted reflection of the political sentiment of the

Other developments help to build up a case for a new constitutional settlement. Even in its present flaccid form the EEC has considerably larger constitutional repercussions on Britain than were officially admitted when leave to enter was being sought from Parliament and people.

Community instruments abridge the logisla-tive competence of Parliament and Community law enters, overrides and shapes British law. Meanwhile present plans for making the Union more to the liking of the Scots and Welsh tend towards a quasi-federal structure for the whole kingdom, which would profoundly alter the nature of the constitution, whatever may be the present pretence that it would not.

The analysis has led Lord Hailsham and others to advocate all or some of the following reforms: a new constitutional settlement in written form; the entrenchment of primary civil rights in a superior instrument; judicial determination of the validity of legislation; a second legislative chamber reconstructed in a manner which would permit it to interfere effectively with the ambitions of a governmentdominated Commons; an electoral system which gives a more nearly proportional conversion of votes to seats.

There are preliminary paradoxes about this programme. One of the commonest complaints lying behind it is that a government at Westminster these days is too powerful, that it is— or may be if so minded—an elective dictator-ship, able to ride roughshod over opposition and impose its will on resentful subjects.

Yet it is only three years ago that the question was being asked, often by the same people: who governs the country, ministers sustained by an elected Commons or the National Union of Mineworkers? And in February 1974 the voters are supposed to have given the collective reply that they really did not know.

Which is the better description of the political background to the nation's present condition: the arrogance and excesses of elective dictatorships presided over by Macmillan, Wilson, Heath and Callaghan, or the feebleness of the same administrations, their vulnerability to political pressures, their fear of powerful interests outside Parliament, their deference to what they supposed the electors wanted or would tolerate?

Another regular complaint is that the Com-mons is impotent in the face of the party whips, that it can talk to its heart's content but when it comes to action the only instrument it possesses is a rubber stamp. Doubtless for much of the time it looks like that, but not just now.

Government Bills have been getting a mauling in the Commons. The programme for this session has been shaped with a wary eye for session has been shaped with a wary eye for what the legislature will swallow and digest. It is generally reckoned that the fate of the home-rule Bill does not lie with the whips but with unpredictable combinations of backbenchers. Similarly, complaints about the political emasculation of the House of Lords coincide with a successful demonstration of the use of its constitutional powers.

The symptoms of constitutional sickness do

The symptoms of constitutional sickness do not all support the same diagnosis; which casts some doubt on the advertised cure. A second opinion perhaps?

In the early 1930s the volume of criticism of the constitution was as large as it is today. Then, as now, there was a failure of the political economy.

Those who work the system have failed by too wide a margin to match by their effects the expectations entertained by the public. When things so as badly as that, blame is not confined to those who work the system, it implicates the system itself. Naturally. And the system, being of long standing and consisting in large measure of the elevation into conventions, rules and principles of ways of doing business which have commended themselves to our predecessors, is only too likely to be vulner-able to criticism.

Before the case for wholesale constitutional innovation is received into the body of established wisdom, someone should blow the dust off those volumes which record the constitu-tional discontents of the 1930s. The sources and tone of the complaints have a familiar sound, although the direction of criticism sometimes very different from today.

(Winston Churchill, incidentally, commending his soon-forgotten proposal for an economic sub-parliament to raise the level of policy in matters of trade and finance, anticipated Dr Milton Friedman by half a century. The British parliamentary system, he said, will pass "only when it has shown itself incapable of dealing with some fundamental and imperative economic need; and such a challenge is now

In the perspective which history affords it of the perspective which history affords it can be seen that the constitutional radicalism of the thirties evaporated in the warmth of economic recovery and reviving national self-confidence. And the constitutional radicalism of the 1970s? In the case of Scotland, anyway, time is not being given the chance to apply the same treatment. the same treatment.

T. J. O. Hickey

The middle classes

Pity the poor professional

ment remains intact. But the vires of Scotish assembly legislation will be determined judicially. Although ultimate authority will remain at Westminster the demarcation lines between London and Edinburgh will largely depend upon how the courts interpret the Act.

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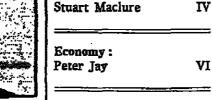


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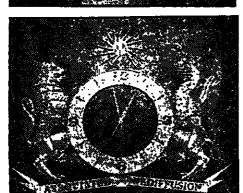
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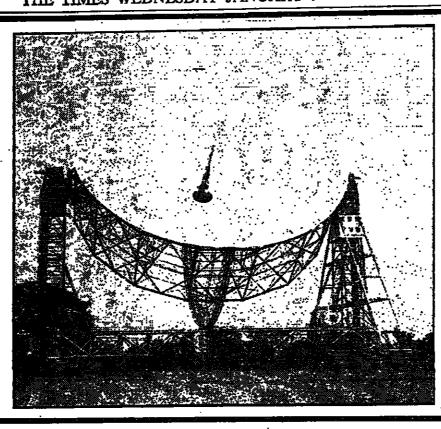
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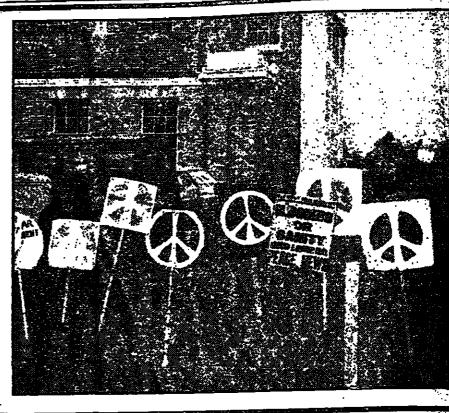
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Labour Government originally embodied has died.

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struggle against the Conservative administration. administration.

but it cannot again be found themselves able to influence the course of events.

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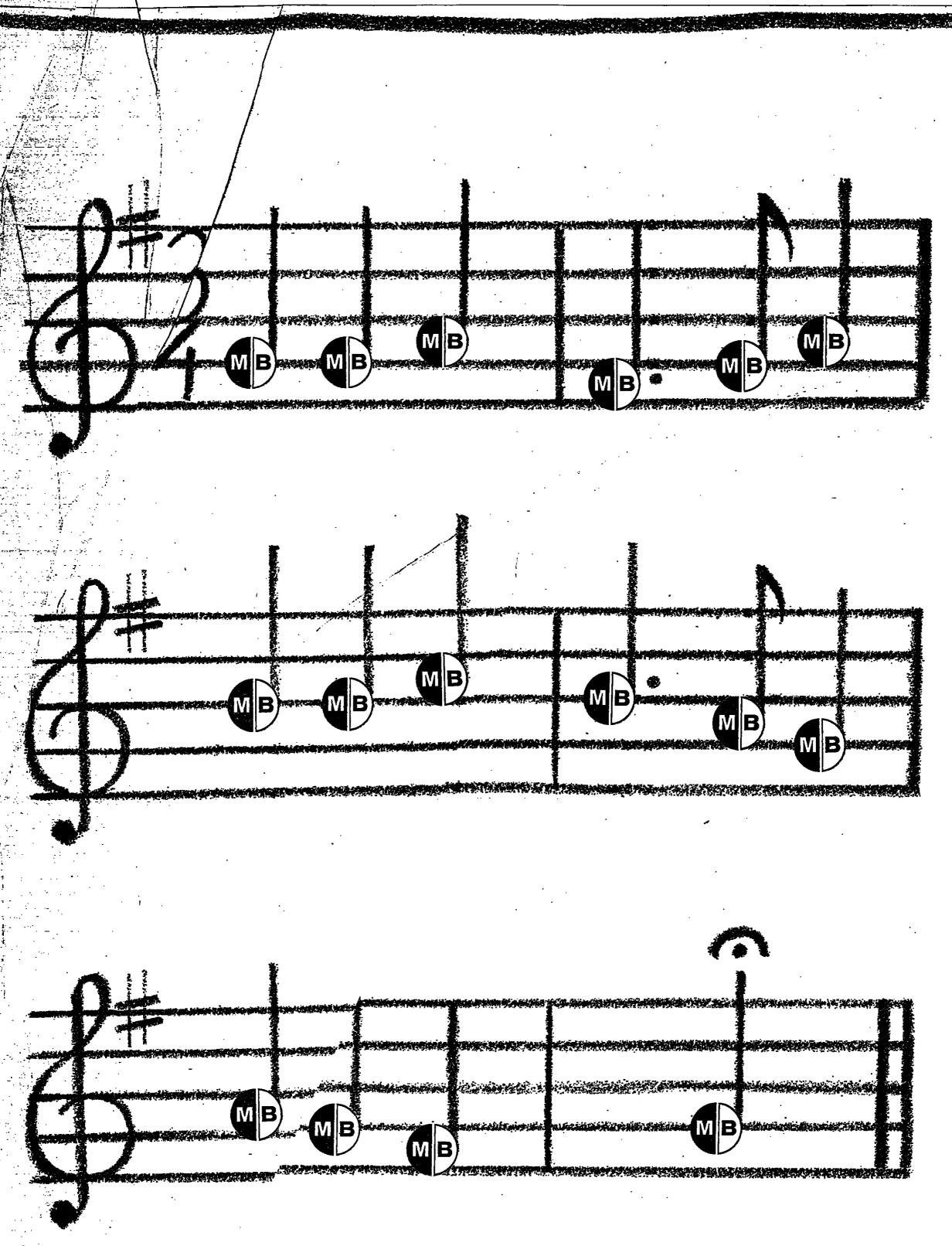
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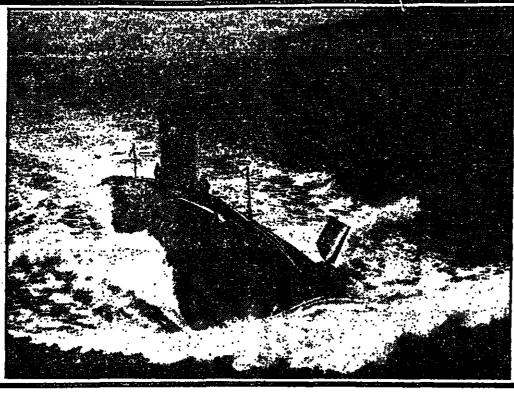
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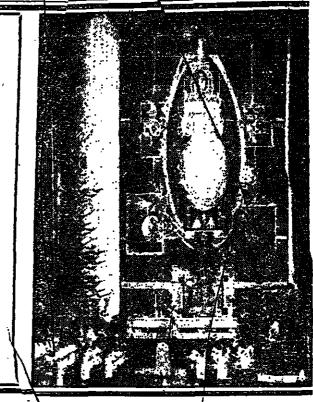












Science and technology

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by Sir Alan Cottrell
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mists and plitical theorists.

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Arts Dramatic flouris\ in regions

by Roy Shaw

non-theatrical venues in towns and villages throughout the land.

"The year which ended last March was an anxious one for many of the bodies with visual arts has similarly expanded and whereas in 1952 associated. The cost of producing the arts countinues to mount, and several wages and the symphony orchestras and the present year it is grand opera and the baller companies. . . The losing battle in which some of the repertory theatres are engaged calls for emergency action. It must be emphasized that most of these anxieties are not provoked by a failing of productions by the major subsidized companies to the present year it is grand opera and the baller companies. . . The losing battle in which some of the repertory theatres are engaged calls for emergency action. It must be emphasized that most of these anxieties are not provoked by a failing of productions by the rough their provision of music and visual arts has similarly expanded and whereas in 1952 and the samilarly expanded and whereas in 1952 and the samilarly expanded and whereas in 1952 associated. The cost of productions by the major subsidized companies in the samilar and the samilar and the samilar than the control of the control of public librarie and the support of entertainment which some of the present year it is grand opera and the National Film theatre fully operational and the National Film theatre is already long-total productions of productions by the rade union problems which ham and wales a local authorities do more the arts than its commonly Alized notably in for outlets do more the arts associated. The cost of productions by the rade union problems which ham and wales a local authorities do more the arts than its cod more the arts than its commonly Alized notably in for outlets of the induction of public libraries and the support of entertainments which some interest on the interest of the arts than the country will soon be associated. The country will soon be associated. The country will soon be associated. The country will

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intranch in the cost of the arts which is greater than the general inflation rate.

The past 25 years have seen a great burgeoning of the arts. Not least in the neglected provinces. Provincial rep was then having a hard time but in the years to follow it was to flourish greatly and rejoice in its instake: they are really of culture of culture to substantiate their case. Two things however are of inheriting our cultural two things however are of inhering our cultural many hours of inane talk—inheriting ulture is a more complex being an inheriting moley. Any fool can inherit oney, but only phone-in programme—but an educated had can inherit they also give us many hours of art de-

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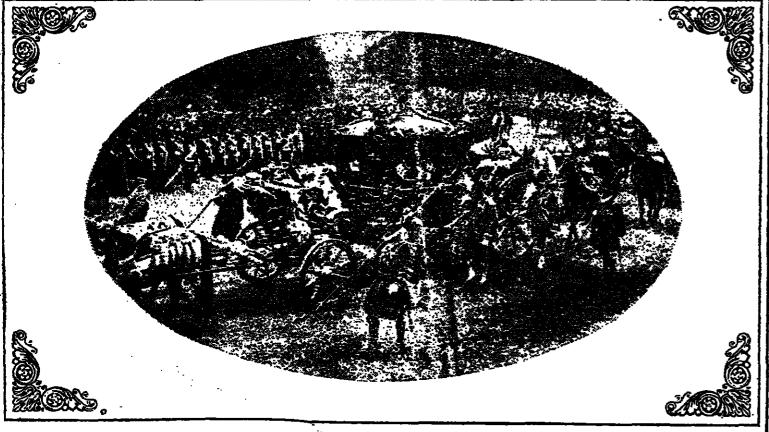
In the costs of presentation." And yet... Already in 1952.

Surprisingly these words come nor from the current Arts Council report but from the report for the year 1952.

Plus ca change... It has changed for better and for worse. In 1952 we had no Minister for the Arts and the was £575,000. For the current and more realistic to concentrate on "raising" than year it is £36m.

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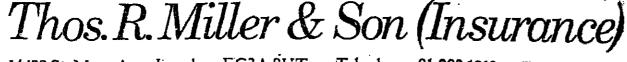
Europe many arts policies present vast output both man in the street and, say, reject what is called "the Jeremiahs and enthusiasts the draw of the first Elizademocratization of culture" to substantiate their case



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Education

Three Rs: debate continues

by Stuart Majure born in 1952 who h all the way up the aca to post-gradaute study

tion, the educational system has been transformed. There never has been a quarter of a century of such frantic activity as the one which wi began with the baby boom the and ended with the birth

ment of the early 1950s. A lit was about 130,000. new Education Act promised a fresh start in primary and secondary education. The old train the extremely system was dismantled. Fees in secondary education in its education in its schools were swept away tion of about 10,000 has administrators were committed, amid postwar austerity, and teacher train ducation to justifying the rhetoric of the universities secondary education for all. Education Act protection, the polytechnistis between the parties, nation-versities with 113,000. between the parties, nation versities with ally and locally. There were time students, even hopes of cooperation. Towards the even hopes of cooperation between the public schools 25-year period things beginning and the maintained system to go sour. The birth ration of the property of the parents' income, still down in 1964. The school to all children on school population will shortly merit, without regard to reach a peak, and then go their parents' income, still down and down until the seemed a worthy objective mid-1980s, when there are "Merit" was understood, likely to be 1,500,000 fewer rather naively, in terms of a children in the schools than "fair and objective" examination at the end of the pri-"fair and objective" examination at the end of the primary school. Liberal opinion is the upsurge of popular had yet to undergo the criticism about standards in strange sea-change in the late the basic subjects — augmentary school from being and arguments of urban the great liberator into an executated instrument of discipline in a world where aid forms of authority are A good deal, in fact, had not yet taken place. The People are less than ever

A good deal, in fact, had constantly being questioned.

The People are less than ever secondary schools were, as prepared to accept the usual, being reorganized. But growth of the education in 1952, reorganization meant the elimination of the old only schools, from which dren e scholarship chil-by 1950 at 11. the education of the population achieving the argument about

boom had begun in earnest, the academic level of a first dards and attainments in the Schools were being built by degree has increased four-three Rs still in the fore-the score. In 1952 the school fold. So far as England and front. The evidence of food to the school fold. population in England and Wales are concerned, the decline is, so far, only im-wales was only six million entry for the O and A level pressionizing to serious re-compared with more than examinations has expanded search evidence has yet been ic nine million today). The still more.

In 1952 162,000 candidates made 830,000 O level subject entries; by 1974 this had immediately after the war was about to make its impact. There were 222,000 a teachers (almost half the mital today). The schooled had to 15. become 810,000 candidates making 2,477,000 subject entries. Similarly, at A level the 40,500 entries of 1952 had become the 250,000 entries of 1974. ses were large—113,000 pore than 40 pupils in and 1,100 with more

These figures, of course, leave open the question of whether the examinations themselves have retained themselves have retained their standard—though he would be a very jaundiced critic indeed who attempted to explain away all the growth as somehow evidence of a general decline. The main criticism is directed more at the educational standards of the minority, the 20 per cent who do not achieve any examination success and, in particular, the primary schools where progressive methods have waxed and (more recently) waned.

It is not without a sense of dija vu that I turned up the Ministry of Education and the walth-generating industry. In reality they

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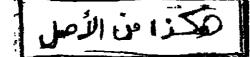
able to make any clear udgment on a comparative basis But 25 years on it is undoubtedly disappointing that after so much expan sion, and so much expenditure of money and effort, the mastery of the basic tools of learning is still not something which can be guaranteed to all: not here, nor in any country. So, amid another secon

dary reorganization (without any longer, alas, agreement the glare of unprecedented public and political interest in the contribution which education can make to national economic recovery. the world of education prepares to live with falling numbers and reduced

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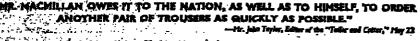
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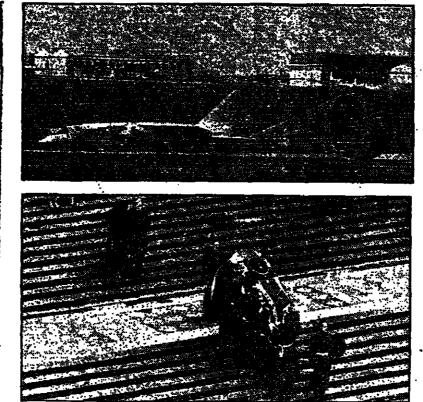
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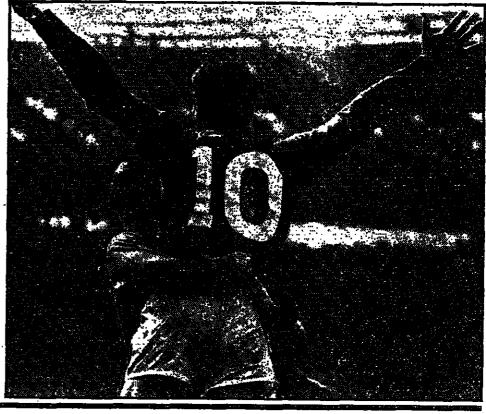












Armed Forces

The months ahead

Many of the events in this calendar will be London Celebrations Committee for the on April 24. The object of the appeal will of local events throughout Britain. be to encourage young people to serve the In counties, lords-lieutenant will lead British Armed Forces when the community, both in Britain and the Com- local appeals in support of the national those of today are ex-

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29 Rugby league, England v Wales. Headingley, Leeds.

5 Amateur rugby league—Lancs v Yorks. Oldham. 11-17 The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh in the Pacific

26-27 International Canoe Exhibition. Crystal Palace.

Zegland.*

Australia.

Twickenham

islands (Feb 11, Western Samos; 14, Tonga; 16-17 'O Ameren' rugby league Cumbria v Lencs Whitehaven. 2-March 7 The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh in New

Rostropovich's fiftieth birthday concert. Festival Hall. Anathur rugby league—Yorks v Cumbria. Craven

World challenge match for rackets. Queens Club, Lon-

Lacrosse (women's) England v Reserves. Hurlingham Park, London. Hockey (women's)—England v Weles. Headingley. 19-20 London Dinghy Exhibition. Pickett's Lock, Edmon-

23-26 The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh in Papua New 19.20 British

ation national championships. Wessex Bowl, Poole.

Rugby league—English schools v French schools, under

16. Barrowin-Furness. Gaia performance by Maurice Bejart's Ballet. Coli-

Schools international boxing—England v Wales. Guern-

'1 National Youth Orchestra, Boulez programme. Festival

Gala performance. Darlington Civic Theatre. .

Martial arts festival Crystal Palace, London. Handel Opera Society Concert "Handel and the Chapel

Gardens, Stoke-on-Trent. Rugby union—Middlesex seven-a-side competition.

l-May 14 International clap gathering (1st week Edinburgh, 2nd week throughout Scotland).

Harlem Globerrotters basketball match. Wembley. Flag Day British Legion and Earl Haig Fund.

Inaugural flag raising—London Calebrations Commit-tee's river-programme. HMS Belfast, Tower Bridge. Football match, English (select) v-Scottish (select).

17. service of thanksgiving, Giasgow Cathedral; 18, Edinburgh; 19, Dundee; 20, Aberdeen; 23-27, Edin

East Anglian Offshore Racing Association passage

National Pageant of Scottish Youth. Meadowbank Stadium, Edinburgh.

Dedication of new silver processional cross, Southwark Cathedral.

Big Top royal gala performance. Home Park, Windsor. Youth festival. Weston Favell, Northants.

Service of thanksgiving. St George's Chapel, Windsor.

ILEA concert, London Schools Symphony Orchestra

London Business Houses rowing regatta. Chelses to

Evening Standard pub of the river competition. The

Royal church music choirs of Westminster Abbey, Chapel Royal and Sr George's Chapel, Windsor. West-

Royal Marines athletics championships. Victory

11 Thames sailing barge and oyster smack race.
Gravesend to Tower Bridge.

duced by their teachers. Royal Opera House.

Jubilee Sunday in churches.

to Balmoral and back.

Soring bank holiday.

Night of 100 Stors—gala performance. Olivier auditorium, National Theatre.

Cruising Association (St Katharine's Dock) jubilee week London. Veteran cyclist 1.000-mile sponsored ride. London

Chain of bonfires it, first by the Queen Windsor's Safati Park open day. Windsor.

Grand Silver Jubitee concert (Yehudi Menuhin).

Afbert Hall.
Street happenings visits by popular stars to London borongus. Royal, Thames Yacht Chib Saver Jubilee rate. Nationaide.
Silver Jubilee bank holiday: thanksgiving service, St.

Paul's the Queen hunches at Guildhall and broadcasts

1 June 11 Milk Marketing Board cycling milk race.

Gala performance (opera and ballet). Royal Opera

race. Garrison Point to St Katharine's

(including new work). Festival Hall,

Thames (Greenwich to Teddington).

Royal Escape yacht race. Brighton.

House, Covent Garden

7-27 The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh in Scotland (May

Elion John gala performance, Palladium. Police review. Imber Court, Thames Dirtor

1-23 and 26-30. The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh in

Football League Cup final. Wembley

associated with the Queen's Silver Jubilee Queen's Silver Jubilee (4 Carlton Gar-Appeal, to be launched by the Prince of dens, London SW1). In addition to the by Field Marshal Wales in a radio and television broadcast events listed there will be many hundreds Sir Michael Carver

wealth. effort. Additional appeal offices have been treme; but the difference between their commitments

Grand Silver Jubilee concert, Orchestra de Paris Albert Hall.

St Katharine's Yacht Club race. St Katharine's 13 Grand Silver Jubilee concert (massed brass bandscommissioned work). Albert Hall. Enterprise Youth national event. Charlotte Square,

Edinburgh.

Pop festival. Wembley.

National Tug-of-War Committees competition. Cannon
Hill Park, Birmingham.

Garter Service. Windsor*.

Merseyside*.

21 22-24 The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh in Wales (June 7 LSO jubilee concert. Festival Hall. 8-24 Film première: Long to Reign Over Us. ABC 25 26

Naval Review. Spithead*. First Royal London Tour. South of the river*. 30-July 3 Royal Regatta. Henley.

Royal ". Queen Elizabeth Hall.

Prince Charles's radio and television broadcast.
Schools Music Association concert. Albert Hall.
Physically haddicapped wheelchair dancing. Trentham
Cordens Style on Trent John Player centenary festival, LSO, new Stoppard/ Previn works. Festival Hall. National Youth Jazz John Player centenary festival, Orchestra. Queen Elizabeth Hall.

> John Plaver Centenary Festival Music Theatre. Birtwistle/Kustow. Cottesloe auditorium, National 4,5 London Looks Forward conference. Queen Elizabeth

Second royal London tour. North of the riv LPO special jubilee concert. Festival Hall. 14 House to house collection, British Legion and Earl Haig 6 North of the river*.

Stadium, Barnet. 8-10 County vouth weekend. Stratfield Saye; Hants, 9 Under-19 first Test match England v Australia. Arundel, Sussex.

Under-19 second Test match, England v Australia.

Westminster.

12-13 The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh in Humberside and Yorkshire.* 14-15 The Oueen and Duke of Edinburgh in North-east.

14 ILEA physical/athletic education event. Crystal

16 Schools athletics-England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland. Yeovil 16,

19, 21, 26 Garden parties at Buckingham Palace.*
20 Sept 14 (provisional) Popular music and dance festival, Hav's Wherf, SE1.

27 The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh in West Midizads. 27-31 Festival of cycling (professional and amateur)

Nottinghamshire.* 29 RAF review. Finningley.*

London Sinfonizita, iticinding new work by Sir William August Walton. Oueen Elizabeth Hall. Pitlochry Festival Theatre, opening performance Pitlochry.

Pop festival (all British pop stars). Earls Court.

BBC light music festival. Festival Hall.

6.7 London Sinfonizita, iticinding new work by Sir William August 5-8 Theatre, opening performance Pitlochry.

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6-7 London jubilee yourh games finals. Crystal Palace.

10-11 The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh in Northern

assumed to be the

Youth and music concert, young British soloists intro- 18 Cricket, Australia v Rest of World. Arundel, Sussex. Yacht race. Gravesend to St Katharine's.

20-29 Jubilee clipper week regatta. Greenwich. 21 International festival of youth orchestras. Albert Hall, Sadler's Wells.

22-26 St Katharine's Yacht Club and Cruising Association upon Thames

Events marked by an asterisk form part of the Queen's

The Best of British, world premiere of new musical. Theatre Royal, Norwich.

Junior horse jumping competition. Heathfield, Sussex. Jubilee regarta and spectacular. Hammersmith. Grand Sälver Jubilee concert (military spectacular). Albert Hall.

10, 14 New production by English Music Theatre, Pur-cell's The Fary Queen, Sadler's Wells. Accent on Youth weekend. Straffield Saye, Hamp-

Royal progress and river pageant; firework displays. The Thames.* lubilee gala classical concert. Albert Hall.

National Sporting Club dinner. Cafe Royal, London.

I Jubilee Test matches, England v Australia. Lord's.
Barge driving match. The Thames, from Lower Pool through bridges.
The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh in Lancashire and

Monday of Midsummer. Orkneys uly 2 Centenary lawn tenn 20-july 2 Cente Wimbledon

The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh in Greater 22, Gwynedd; 23. West Wales and Swansea; 24, South Wales and Cardiff).* Elisabeth Schwarzkopf recital.—Pestival Hall.

Apollo Society, Garland for the Queen with poetry. Wigmore Hall.

Power Boat grand prix. Between Albert and Vauxhall

4-16 Silver Jubilee pageant. Shalford Park, Guildford. Jubilee gala concert. Brighton Festival. English schools athletics championships.

Jubilee tideway race. Putney-10wer Bridge-Putney. National festival of music for youth. Festival Hall, Oueen Elizabeth Hall, Purcell Room. Putney-10wer Bridge-Putney. The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh in Suffolk and

Lord's. 12-14 Jubilee "eights" race. London Bridge to

Palace.

17 Youth regatta—rowing canoeing sailing motor boat events. Westminster Boaring Base, Pimlico.
(3 weeks) Young people's theatre restival. Royal

24 Wills international polo. Smith's Lawn, Windsor. 25-27 Cycle race. London-Harrogate.

Harrogate. The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh in Derbyshire and

The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh in West Country

Football charity shield match, cup v league winners. Wembley.

International festival of youth orchestras. Kenwood States to face what seemed Lakeside, Holland Park, Crystal Palace, Westminster a menace to the whole Central Hall, Summer Theatre, Pumey.

jubilee festival. St Katharine's Yacht Haven.
Standing conference of motor yacht clubs and association rally. King's Reach, London to Ramsgate.
Association of Thames Yacht Clubs rally. Kingston

28 Junior individual bowls competition. Lancashire. omic morass that the Second

Central European folk festival. Albert Hall. The Queen's birthday parade; RAF fly-past. Horse-

divisions consisted of converting our occupation force tional divisions out of the 10 which the Attlee Governand the Royal Air Force had

these totals, only 4,400 were in the Royal Navy; 86,000 were in the Royal Air Force and all the rest were in the Army. Even then the latter

Home Guard "to act as a deterrent against the danger of paratroop descents on a considerable scale". In the financial year 1952-53 all this was expected to cost £1,462m, the Army taking nearly 36 per cent, the Royal Air Force 32 per cent and the Royal Navy 241 cent and the Royal Navy 241 per cent, the rest going to the Ministries of Supply and of Defence. All this was part of an ambitious three-year £4.700m rearmament £4,700m rearmament pro-gramme introduced by the Labour Government in 1951

mation of Nato. With all the advantages of hindsight one cannot help feeling that we over-reacted and assumed a burden of commitments at that time which it was quite beyond our power to bear. remember, however, the fright that Russia had given to us all. First there the subjection was Czechoslovakia; then the Berlin crisis and Korea was thrust.

All that we had fought for so recently seemed to be at risk again. Nobody but ourselves was in a position to stand up with the United of the atom bomb (as it was then called) did not seem to carry the weight it should have done in dealing with the Russians. Whether or not we did over-react, the economic consequences left an indelible impression in

Slimmed down but still fighting fit

now and then is extreme

in Germany into four operament planned as part of the rearmament programme in-stigated by the Korean war. Nato's Lisbon target of 60 remained a pipedream. Excluding minesweepers and layers, the Royal Navy had 166 active hulls, including 12 large aircraft carriers

a large inventory of out-of-date aircraft, neither the Hunter nor the V-bombers yet being in service. It would have been impossible to meet all these commitments with regular manpower alone. The total strength in April 1952 was 857,100: 145,000 in the Royal Navy, 442,000 in the Army and 270,000 in the RAF. Of the 314,700 National Servicemen in

was 83,000 short of its planned strength. In all three services it had been found necessary to recall reservists. On re-turning to power in October 1951, Winston Churchill had insisted on resuscitating the

in response both to the Korean war and to the for-

many Treasury minds. Just as they saw us struggling out of the econin, they found themselves more cohesive and better-thrust back into it by balanced than it was then, even if they would not be unemployment and its effects this ambitious programme, and this in spike of the prepared to admit to being on the young, has silenced imposed on a growing ex-immense improvement in the happy in the Service. The such fears. But if and when imperial commitment in quality, and in some cases spite of our abandonment the size of the Russian and recruiter. There has been a may well be reminded that of both Palestine and India. Warsaw Pact Armed Forces, quiet revolution in this finance is not the only limit-Although aversion to defence. On the other side of the respect within the ranks, ing factor on the size of the expenditure has been a service and particularly over the past forces we can majorate

Although aversion to defence expenditure has been a scales we have a strong and particularly over the past forces we can maintain.

robust West Germany, a 10 years.

And what should that h natural Treasury symptom ever since the Treasury has existed, there is no doubt much better balance between the United States and the European members of Nato, attention. It is particularly which are now more self. Liable to blight induced by confident, more capable of cuts and redundancy. When

the compage against the campaign against the communits was entering its fifth year and was at its height. Forty thousand as left a lasting imprise, the communits was entering its fifth year and was at its height. Forty thousand of the forces that we have to the word of them. Forty thousand the set of the word of them. The Royal Nayy's available hulls, again excluding the contract of the force was also at a word of the word of them. The Royal National Solution National States. Mind the word of them of the word of them of them with the constant present of the word of the said of the said of the said of the word of the constant present of the word of the said o

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Economy Survival options

by Peter Jay

In her first 25 years on the throne the Queen has been modest pledge to the Exchequer, from Mr. R. A. (now Lord) Butler to long strandards in 25 mild recession, Mr. Butler to long strandards in 25 mild recession, Mr. Butler could stimulate after about two years) has become a problem of the nation and life within it, at least of surface (four years), the second (four years), the second was the first of the second (four years), the second (four years) (four years), the second (four years), the second (four years) (four years survival of the nation and life within it, at least of survival of the system of political and social implications and life within it, at least of survival of the system of political and 1954 secure in care expenditure in 1952 or outside factors, notably longest Mr Anthony (now Lord) Barber (three and a half years) and the third Mr James Callaghan (just over three years).

During this period (or the first two decades of it) Britain achieved its fastest increase in the level of national output, surpassing even the most vigorous decades of the nineteenth decades of the nineteenth of the level of the materially, we have gone decades of the nineteenth of the most vigorous decades of the nineteenth of the level of the most vigorous decades of the nineteenth of the level of the most vigorous decades of the nineteenth of the level of the most vigorous decades of the nineteenth of the materially of the nation and life within it, at least of sur-able to increase expenditure in accelerating inflation and we would lead rapidly to Queen's reign will be whether would it? Hindsight suggests that there was already without trade unions using fisculty that any sustainable the volume of employment without trade unions using fisculty that any sustainable the volume of employment the volume of the volume of the volume of the volume of employment the volume of th

The history can be briefly to frost he long decline in Britain's relaxive position as supplier of manufactured goods on since at least the 1870s, quickened dramatically. By the mid-1970s British living standards were closer to those of the semi-developed nations of southern Europe than to those of the advanced industrial nations of northern Europe and North America.

The history can be briefly up fast enough to trouble stated, alzhoueh others will is successor, Mr Macmillan.

By quite modest retrenchment and an exceptionally six turns on the reflation roundabout the penny, to say turn out to be well above was able to reduce inflation roundabout the penny, to say turn out to be well above was able to reduce inflation roundabout the penny, to say turn out to be well above was able to reduce inflation roundabout the penny, to say turn out to be well above was able to reduce inflation roundabout the penny, to say turn out to be well above was able to reduce inflation roundabout the penny, to say turn out to be well above was able to reduce inflation roundabout the penny, to say turn out to be well above was able to reduce inflation roundabout the penny, to say turn out to be well above was able to reduce inflation roundabout the penny, to say turn out to be well above. The stimuli have exceptional course; imposing to ensure that there was able to reduce inflation roundabout the penny, to say turn out to be well above. The stimuli have exceptional course; imposing and into those of the semi-developed nations of souths. By quite modest retrenchment and exceptionally sturns on the reflation roundabout the penny, to say turn out to be well above the pound, has the pound in the sturn out to be well above the roundabout the pound, has the pound, has the pound, has the pound, has the pound in the sturn out to be seven and the pound in the sturn out to be well above the roundabout the pound, has the pound, has the pound, has the pound, has the pound

this relative decline has not been the only or even the most serious failure of the second Elizabethan age so far. Not merely have we discovered that we cannot improve our prosperity as fast as most other comparable—or formerly comparable—or formerly comparable—ations but much found that we cannot even disturbingly we have found that we cannot even maintain that pace of moderate advance. We have also found that we cannot even advance. We have also for granted as the minimum objectives of economic for maintaining a high and objectives of economic trivial as tolerable rate of inflation.

In other words, what used

tolerable rate of inflation, exercise moderation in wage been the history of the defound only to dam the flood. The author is Economics In other words, what used matters so that increased excline and fall of money illustemporarily. Before long it Editor, The Times.

The City

On a new course

Nor did it find it neces for change on a number of Government, the Oppos sary to explain itself. There companies recently—and and the Civil Service. lay the trap which was to often with results.

In industry there is at spring with such significant Hence, too, Finance for more understanding by

have enabled it to ride the storms of the past few years

City as such) are whether courage self-regulation in the the financial system is cap-able of keeping its own house Sir Harold Wilson's com-in order, and whether the mittee may well be specific

that some real progress is ket. Thus, if the assumption now being made towards once was that Whitehall agreement on how the future should be tackled. Given financial regulation, the that as late as the mid-1960s the City had little idea of the sort of pressures which lay around the corner, this in itself may seem a reasonable achievement.

Joint review

achievement.

But if it is realistic to think we are now seeing the watershed, it is still too early to say what the outcome will be. It is only that the debate now going on between White-

on how the financial sector can best maintain its inter-national role which produces a major contribution to invi-sible earnings, but also how it can best earning domestic it can best service domestic

On one hand, the Labour left sees such proposals as "the long-term answer to un-employment and lack of growth in this country" in

This sort of argument, however, leaves aside the point about whether the City should or could have done anything to improve ago set the City on its industrial efficiency and whether the funds that the private sector provided went into the man are assistant of the control of the contro into the most needy hands. The author is Financial Edi-The institutional case for tor, The Times.

years has been that it is not by Michael

without trade unions using ficulty that any sustainable their latent bargaining power level employment (above a level so low that the bargaining power of trade unions in power of trade unions. Would bear higher levels.

As a result there could then be quite a prolonged favourable effect on output and employment before the is of a nature which approaches towards infinity original stimulus began to work through into prices and push the economy back towards its higher natural unemployment level.

But neopole learn. After entry an immemployment level is now that the bargain in the dangerous air of complations, have tended to make adagerous air of complations, have tended to make adagerous air of complations, have tended to make adagerous air of complations, have tended to make out dangerous air of complations, have tended to make out dangerous air of complations, have tended to make of complations, have tended to make out dangerous air of complations, have tended to make out dangerous air of complations, have tended to make out dated, however, and naturally destroy the great progress which such thinking outdated, however, and naturally distinctions, however, and naturally distinctions, however, and naturally destroy the great progress in attacks on the faceless financiers", the faceless financiers" of given rise to attacks on the faceless financiers".

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A great international composition to such criticism, or and with that advanting in the faceless financiers" the f

otten with results.

Hence, too, Finance for Industry, a Bank of Eng. It is about some of the land investment of the land investment in the land investment of the land investment in the land in the

The secondary banking institutions as the answer to crisis could have torn away the problem of industrial the foundations of the finan-investment is also and the finan-invest investment, it also tends to employment cial system. It did not, but reject ideas of statutory at the same time it would regulation of the first ideas.

Progress made
towards
agreement
to see are issues to which there are no quick answers. However, there is evidence that some real progress is now being made towards agreement on how the fourse should be seen to be towards agreement on how the fourse should be seen to be towards agreement on how the fourse should be seen to be towards agreement on how the fourse should be seen to be towards agreement on how the fourse should be seen to be towards agreement on how the fourse should be seen to be towards agreement on how the fourse should be seen to be carrying out its responsibilities as the assumption once were seen to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to be carrying out its responsibilities as the same time to come.

These are issues to which there are no quick answers.

Opinion has also shifted to face the economic difficulties will certainly be with us for some time to come.

We have a powerful industry, it is industry in shiftish fitms are very successful overseas. Our capital stock outside Britain. British fitms are very successful overseas. Our capital stock outside Britain. Set sook outside Britain. Set sook outside Britain.

These are issues to which the same time to come.

We have a powerful industry i structure is the right one if on this point, notably on how

body to be set up

be. It is only that the debate now going on between White-hall, the City and industry appears to have some purpose. Ironically, the rumpus and the Bank of England caused by the Labour proposals to nationalize major banks and insurance companies has clearly identified many of the issues.

The Government's response in the form of Sir Harold Wilson's committee to investigate "the functioning of financial institutions" will, it is hoped, come up with positive ideas not only an how the financial sector.

It is not just managers who would benefit from the restablishment of incentives in British industry. Who has the will to work overtime with the will to work overtime to inspect the statutory and nonstatutory areas." Moreover, the Bank of England is to develop its surveillance of the securities industry with the idea of improving the effectiveness of the existing self-regulatory machinery.

With similar thinking on life with no wealth and have

growth in this country" in that funds could be directed by the stare into industrial investment.

That view has strong political overtones. But those apart, the City tends to reject accusations that it has let industry down on the basis that blame can be more truly laid at the door of political indecision on industral planning and the inability of industry to generate sufficient sign and the straightful and the straightful

Industry

Changing attitudes

existed. Hence, the activities of the institutional investment committees which have brought real pressure for change on a number of companies recently—and

Not that the City's problems are entirely of its own making. The financial centre of a country with a weak economy and, more recently, a seriously weak currency, is bound to suffer. The City has not been an exception, though its inherent strengths have enabled it to ride the suffer. In the same way that the city suffer and industry, a Bank of Eng. It wo sides about some of the vital issues than has been evident in these past 20 years of slide. Industrialists can take no small comfort in the fact that there is a clearer understanding of the need for profit. Although the climate has not ver been the corrowing and the climate has not ver been of bourners of investment to be almost much needed substantial im-In the same way that the much needed substantial im. double that of our inter-City does not see nationalization provements in profitability, national competitors. tion of the major financial at least there is much more. It is difficult to et al.

at the same time it would be studied to pretend that the events of the past five years have nor fundamentally altered the course of the City in the future.

The questions raised by Britain's economic decline and by "City scandals" (some of which, to be fair, have little to do with the City as such) are whether the standard of statutory of the financial strongly the damage done to Britain's wealth-creating industry by starvation of profits. Over the past 15 years there are of world markets. With our rate of inflation fits. Over the past 15 years the real rate of return of expected to be 16 per cent, industrial and commercial companies has dropped from 13 per cent to 4 per cent—operation and Development will rise further unless we increase our dustry by starvation of profits. Over the past 15 years of world markets. With our rate of inflation industrial and commercial companies has dropped from 13 per cent to 4 per cent—operation and Development will rise further unless we increase our dustry by starvation of profits. Over the past 15 years of world markets. With our rate of inflation industrial and commercial companies has dropped from 13 per cent to 4 per cent—operation and Development will rise further the regulation of the same way that the Government, despite the wishes of the left wing fits. Over the past 15 years of world markets. With our rate of inflation in dustrial and commercial companies has dropped from 13 per cent to 4 per cent—operation and Development will rise further the regulation of the Labour Party, appar-the real rate of return of expected to be 16 per cent, industrial and commercial companies has dropped from 13 per cent to 4 per cent—operation and Development will rise further the damage done to Britain's wealth-creating in dustry by starvation of profits. Over the past 15 years of world markets. With our rate of inflation of the cate of world markets. With the cate of world markets are provided the rate for Organians of the cate of world markets. With the cate of world markets are provid

Managers bear

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still waiting for firm action by the Government. Mana-gers have borne the brunt of what can be described only as penal rates of taxation. A reduction of top rates of per-sonal taxation from 83 per-cent to, say, 60 per cent could be achieved with little extra cost; the reward would be a tremendous boost to the morale of those people who have to take investment risks and drive projects through.

It is not just managers who

self-regulatory machinery.

With similar thinking on regulation going on throughout the financial service indicting to the financial service indicting to the financial service indicting to the financial service indicting the Wilson Committee's indicting the Wilson

Few will deny that attitudes of management and shopfloor have become more realistic and that more and The author is chairman and more workers are being in chief executive, Chloride volved constructively in stra- Group.

tegic decisions that affect their working lives. Man-Edwardes

I suspect that few of us will employee involvement at be sorry to see 1976 go. But was it all entirely wasted? The benefits of constructively certainly we as a nation median register.

Certainly we as a nation failed to take positive action to solve the hard core of our talent and financial working together.

Let us hope that precipitate legislation based on the Bullock committee on Bullock committee on worker participation will not describe great progress.

capital investment—an in-crease of 191 per cent for 1977—being achieved in these circumstances. not be easy to achieve

We have had our year reflection, of reappraisal The optimists among us look to constructive action this year, to ensure that we are

Clearer view wealth creation

Our leaders have a head start, because the man in the street has a clearer per spective about the role of wealth creation than ever before. It is not beyond the bounds of possibility that 1977 will be the watershed which sees the reversal t Britain's fortunes at the workface: when changed vity—and that means doing something about Britain's complex union structure and a tradition of restrictive practices that attempts to improve produc-tivity—will bring about the dramatic improvement we

tem, but he wanted it to be "a voluntary and self-regulatory body capable of dealing with any unethical conduct in the course of transactions affecting the business of the Crty".

Whether this "voluntary" model of a US Securities and Exchange Commission turns out to be the British answer remains to be seen, though clearly much is going to depend on Sir Harold Vilson, the man who almost a decade ago set the City on its







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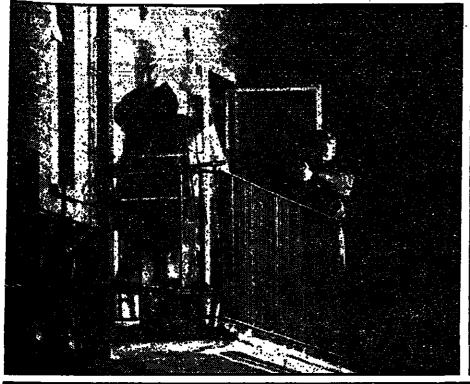
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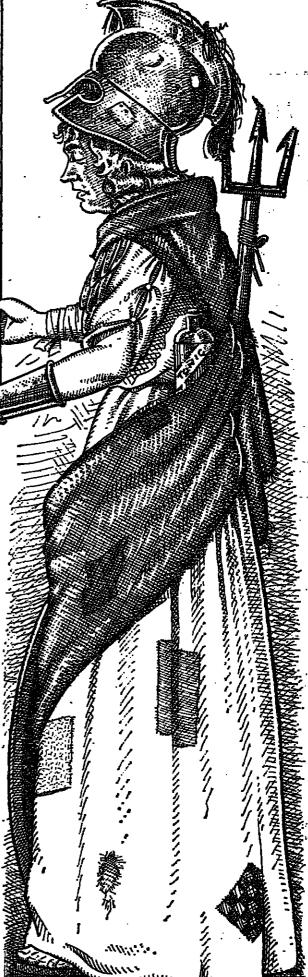
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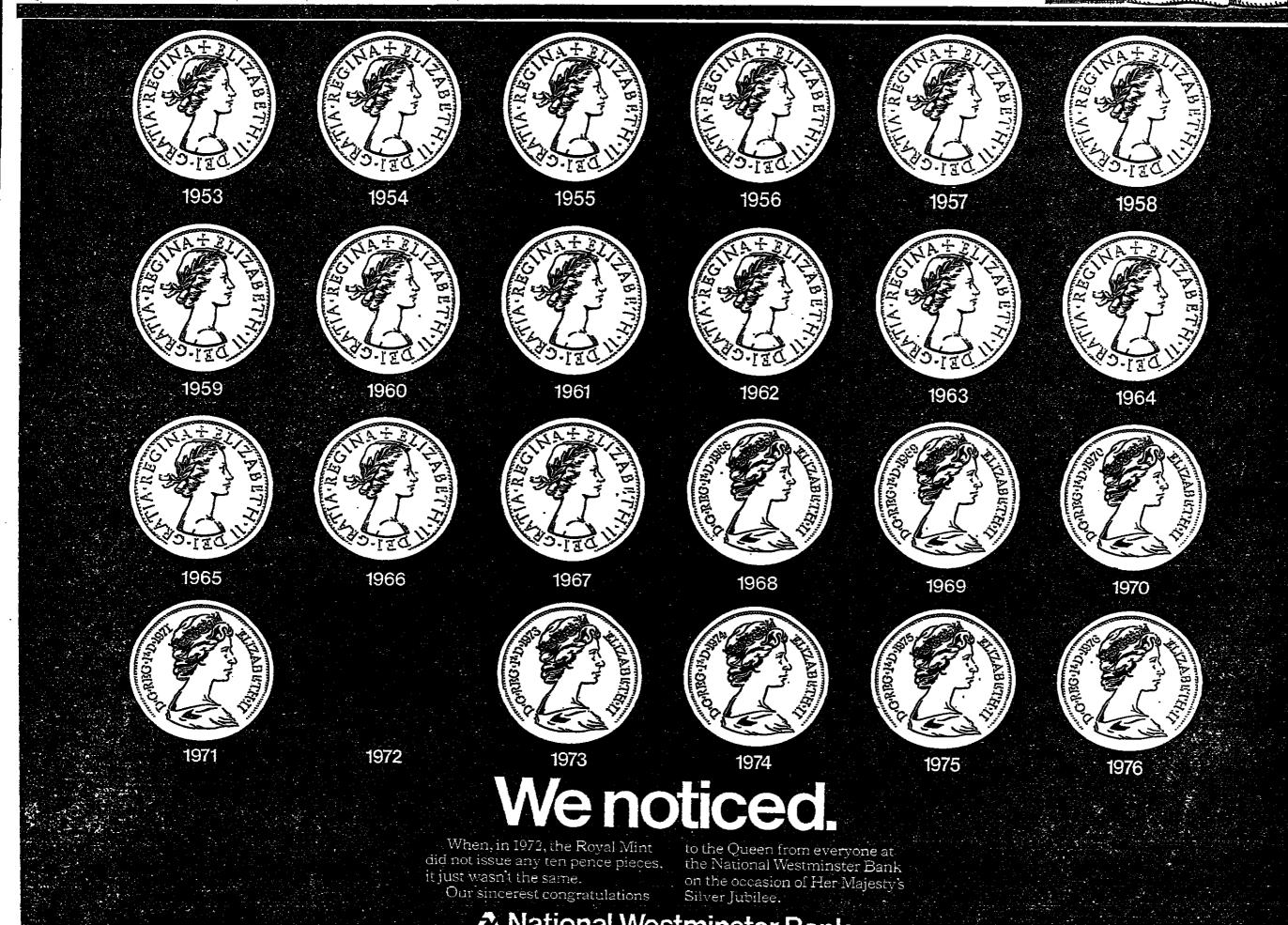
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Postscript

Common man takes over







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POLITICS IN ABEYANCE

The Roman Carbolic Bishop of Ardagh and Clomparnois, whose diocese is in the Republic of Ireland, made some fair political points in his widely publicized condemnation of British policy in Northern Freland, which he delivered oit New Year's Day The security mixture as before (minus determine without trial), coupled with the temporary extraction of provincial representative institutions and the absence of any new initiative from Westminster for their substitution, has indeed a tendency to produce some of the ill effects Dr Daly listed: "parties fragment, the best lose interest and opt out, the worst intrigue with passionate intensity. Policicians are opistaged by paramilitaries. Politics become discredited. All initiative is given over to men of

violence" If he believes all that and worse to be happening he is justified in proceeding to dub British policy, or the absence of it, unpardonable and disastrous." But neither political reasoning nor pulpit licence justifies his further embellishment of his theme. "One has repeatedly denounced the IRA for mindless militarism, and for their total lack of credible political think-ing. But official policy in the North begins itself to look more and more like a replica of this."

No initiative

The bishop follows the logic of every parlour revolutionary in equating force used for the pur-pose of subversion with force used by legitimate authority in accordance with law for the preservation of public institu-tions and public order. If he can no longer distinguish between these two types of application of-force in Ireland, his own Prime Minister should be able to help him: And if, to his mind, a determination to uphold the authority of the state against violent challenge by an admit tedly they minority of irreconcil-ables does not clear a govern-ment of the charge of "total lack of credible political thinking", again his own Prime Minister would have something useful to say to him.

But in truth Dr Daly can make these distinctions, and often has when denouncing the crimes of the Provisional IRA. He slips into the other way of talking only because even the least subversite and most peaceable of Irish marionalists has instructive

tion to bridge the sectarian divide in the early part of last year. But that is not to say that it would have been better if there had been a new ministerial initiative of some kind, or that, in its absence, there has been no movement in the political context of Ulster's conflict. There has been quite a lot of movement, some of it favourable to

The Dublin Government now bears more heavily on the Pro-visional IRA and has rendered its territory a less easy sanctuary. It has not "rooted it out", an operation which, in the South as in the North, may be freely proposed but is to be performed only at huge political cost. But Mr Cosgrave's Government has made life much more difficult for the Provisionals without inflating public sympathy for them. In the North the deaths, injuries and damage caused by political violence in 1976 have been such as to make assurances about the efficacy of security operations sound unpardonably complacent. Yet it ought to be recorded that the policy of giving precedence to police work in the tracking of terrorists and proceeding against them through the ordinary pro-cesses of law—which is at this time the right policy to pursue has achieved improving results.

The Peace Movement was spontaneous, has been courage-ously led, and is a needed source of hope. Unfortunately its influence is least apparent where there is most need of it. Its contribution is to sentiment and morale. It is not an instrument of politics. The political parties are becalmed, without elections, without a focus, without a function, and without a forum, apart from their under-represented presence at Westminster, which fifty years of parliament at Stormont taught Ulstermen to regard as secondary and remote. And it has to be admitted that Mr Rees's policy of leaving them alone to mull it over—a policy which his successor Mr Mason bas continued by the conspicuous avoidance of anything to contradict it-has contributed more to divergence, fragmentation and confusion than it has to unity and clarification.

The main party representative reservations about the legitimacy of the Roman Catholic com-of any operation by British munity, the SDLP, came close to economy of the kingdom as a soldiers on Irish soil which is resolving at its annual conven- whole.

tion last month to call for a British declaration of intent to withdraw from the province-Sinn Fein's policy, and perhaps Fianna Fail's, but assuredly not the SDLP's hitherto. The Unionist coalition is divided between those who would pay the London price for provincial government, which is to share power within it with the SDLP. those who hold out for a reconstituted Stormont, and those who would be satisfied for the time being with administrative devolu-

Lacking in support

The third of these courses was promoted by Mr James Moly-neaux, the titular leader of the Ulster Unionists at Westminster, in the debate on the second reading of the Scotland and Wales Bill. He said that Ulster was primarily interested in executive not legislative devolution; that that would satisfy Ulster's most urgent need for a return to provincial self-manage-ment, and that the problem of power sharing " would fall into place since the elected body would be organized like a metropolitan council in England working through all-party committees. It would be combined with full representation at Westminster. The idea has obvious attractions, but it falls, like other schemes, for lack of sufficient support across Ulster's com-munal divide. Nor would the necessary support be furnished by the Government's promotion of the policy.

In fact, the judgment that there is lacking at the present time the necessary support or consent for any identifiable alternative to the form of administration Northern Ireland now has, and the further judgment that the active promotion of any particular scheme by an English minister, in the manner of Mr Whitelaw, would spoil rather than enhance its chances of acceptance, and the further judgment that "direct rule" may not be applauded but is accepted better than was either Stormont or the fruits of Sunningdale in the preceding seven years, are, taken together, sufficient reason to leave constitution-making in ahevance for the moment. The time for it will return before long. For the present there is enough for the British administration to do in the suppression of political violence, and in supporting the ailing Illster economy to the limit of the constraints imposed by the ailing

GROWING PAINS IN IRAN

There was no mistaking the bitierness felt in Teheran last month over Saudi Arabia's refusal to accept the new oil price desired by the majority of ollexporting countries, and over Shalkh Yangar's announcement that the ceiling on Saudi oil production would be lifted. The Iranian government newspaper, Rastukhiz, went so far as to accuse the Shaikh of taking orders from the United States rather than from King Khalid.

Such an accusation might seem surprising coming from a government which often proclaims itself the most reliable ally and guardian of Western interests in the Middle East and the Indian Ocean. Yet whatever its hostility to revolutionary socialism, and its integrated about Arab nationalism, there can be no doubt that on the issue of the oil price iran is sincerely, indeed fervently, at one with the radical Arab smees such as Iraq, Libya and Algeria, Shaikh Yanani, with a tiny population to feed and a vast financial surplus already accumulated, can afford the luxiny of worrying whether too sharp sin increase in oil prices may help the Communist Party into power in France or Italy. The Shah of Iran, whose balance of payments ran into deficit last year, can worry only about how to satisfy the expectations aroused in thirty-four million Iranians by the dazzling chimera of oil-wealth and by his own past

from in the past three years has made itself a kind of test case for an extreme hypothesis of development economics the strategy of the big push which was fashionable in the early days of development studies. This point was brought out last month at a Chatham House conference on Fran 1980-85: Problems and Challenges of Development", in a paper by Mr. Robert Mabro of Sr. Antony's College, Oxford. He pointed out that academically the "big push" theory had failed to survive two major criticisms:
"How could a poor third world' country finance compre- of oil revenues than expected for presided over it.

Adversary politics

From Mr B. M. C. Fogerty

Sir, Your report on Mr Poot's evi-

deace to the Parliamentary Com-

mittee on procedure (The Times, December 21) fills me with gloom. If partisan legislation is the essence of the British political process, then.

I would suggest, the process is wrong Adversary politics, like adversary politics, like adversary anything assumes that one party have the manopoly of wisdom

ment programmes? Would an underdeveloped country be really underdeveloped if it could supply the organizational and technological talent, the skilled manpower and the institutional framework necessary to effect the big push?"

In Iran's case, the eightfold increase in oil revenues between 1972 and 1974, which raised per capita income to 1.360 dollars a year, effectively removed the first objection, and the Shah decided simply to ignore the second. Unfortunately the results suggest that the second objection was valid. The queues of ships and lorries at Iran's frontiers soon became pro-verbial. Cargoes of fruit went rotten and had to be thrown into the Gulf. Domestic prices soared, as did industrial wages, while agriculture—held back by administratively controlled food prices was rapidly drained of labour. Corruption and waste proliferated. The urban population grew much faster than houses could be built. The economy careered towards total chaos, and there were dangerous symptoms of social unrest.

The Shah has been quick to realize the dangers, and has lately begun to lecture his own people in the tone previously reserved for the degenerate Western democracies. His interview with Kayhan last November the first ever given to an Iranian newspaper-showed a clear appreciation that growth in future would have to be more gentle and more carefully planned. Money alone cannot eliminate all the bottlenecks, perhaps the most serious of which are not the physical but the human ones—the lack of trained manpower and the failure to connect rewards with personal effort. In Mr Mabro's words again, "the danger of the oil exporting country is to become a rentier State which creates rentiers and propagates the rentier mentality

within the country". To that extent a lower level carry away the regime that has

and the ear of the people, and the others have neither. Can any party seriously claim that?

We see each day evidence of increased polarization in Parliament

between the two major parties, tem-

pered only by some smaller oppo-sition parties, some discredited

politicians of right and left in both

Houses, and a somewhat lonely executive facing the realities of

government. There must be more common ground than this, without

hensive and large scale invest- the remainder of the decade might be thought a blessing in disguise. But Iranians can hardly be expected to see it that way. Like us, they are now having to embark on expenditure cuts-at a much lower standard of living, and with much more spectacular expectations to disappoint. Like us, they are finding that it is too often easier to cut productive investment than current expenditure on consumer goods.

Consumer goods include weapons. In their case, the consumers are the Shah himself and his armed forces, and they do not find self-denial at all easy. In 1975 Iran spent more on defence than any other developing country, and more as a proportion of her gross national product than any other except those directly involved in the Arab-Israel conflict. Since then there have been attempts to hold down the defence budger but (to the relief, no doubt, of British arms manufacturers) these have had little noticeable effect.

The Shah argues that his large armed forces and ultra-sophisticated weapons are necessary to resist Soviet expansion and subversion in the Gulf and the Indian Ocean, just as his ruthless security police and summary justice are necessary to contain subversion at home. But Western military experts who have seen the Iranian armed forces operating in Dhofar are not convinced that expenditure on that scale is either necessary or effective. Nor for that matter are even sympathetic Western observers convinced that internal threats are such as to justify the degree of repression used in Iran. Indeed, could any threat justify the systematic torture, executions and other violations of human rights chronicled in the briefing paper recently published by Amnesty International?

Economic growth is certainly desirable, but it should be accompanied by progress towards a more humane and tolerant society. Otherwise the tensions that it generates must sooner or later erupt in violent form and

leading to a one party state. I want neither revolution nor stagnation, but changes allied to the world in which we live, and a chance to get on with the job. The reforms suggested by the Procedural Committees can only help. Yours faithfully,

B. FOGARTY. 7 Eastlands Way. Oxted,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The future of nuclear power

From Mr Geoffrey Johnson Smith, MP for East Grinstead (Con-Sir, Is it not time that you published an analysis of the prolonged correspondence on "Nuclear Power: danger and safety"?

From the moment Lord Roth-schild was told by the Principal and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Strathclyde that the Flowers Report (surely the most significant to be published by Government since the war?) had, stimulated him into an emorional outburst, we could have guessed that we were in for one of those scientific and intellectual "punch-ups" familiar to the readers of Nigel Balchin and C. P.

With respect to the eminent scientists to whom those of us who took part in our own calm debate in the early hours of December 20 are indebted. I suggest that laymen can now draw live conclu-

First, the problems are two important to be left to the scientists. They involve moral and enhical issues transcending technology. Secondly, the Government should embark upon and encourage a sustained programme of information telling people what is at stake. (Compared with the USA and Sweden we have an ill-informed

Thirdly, the Government should not be rushed into a decision to commit this country to fission power. There are far too many conflicting statements about the

"energy gap".
Fourthly, notwithstanding the above, nuclear waste already poses problems which demand an accelerated research programme in how to dispose of it safely, as the Flowers Report so clearly emphasizes. Fifthly, the cost of a future energy programme, whether we ake the nuclear road or not, will be

prodigious. Any realistic energy policy which must include far reaching energy conservation measures if it is to be afforded will involve the closest co-operation with our EEC permers. The Government and particularly the Secretary of State for Energy, Mr Tony Benn, will, I hope, grasp this nettle for the sake of those who will come after us will come after us. Yours faithfully,

GEOFFREY JOHNSON SMITH. House of Commons,

Air fare structure

From Mr K. G. Braidwood Sir, As a director of a travel agency I have strong sympathy with the frustration Mr Junge (December 18) expressed with the absurd fare structure operated by the international airlines. I do not join in his welcome for Mr Laker's Skytrain. The Skytrain bid will only compound the existing fare chaos.

The basic problem, which frustrates Mr Junge, on the international airlines the world over is that there are few routes where the number of seats available on their aircraft does not vastly exceed the number of bottoms willing to fill them at existing fares. The in-ternational airlines will not either compete with each other on prices, giving the absurd excuse that this would undermine safety, nor will they collectively agree to substantial and straightforward reductions in fares. The inevitable consequence of this evasion of the elementary fact of supply and demand is the flouting of the airlines rules throughout the world's airline business. Indeed, this is actively connived at by the airlines themselves.

Not only is this massively unfair to the majority of international air-line customers who pay the pub-lished fares, it is a nightmare situation for the travel agent who abides by his commitments to, say, the Association of British Travel Agents and IATA. In their non-competitive attempts to get more passengers to fill their surplus seats, the travel agent now is instructed to deal with an immensely complicated international fare structure. For instance there are 13 different IATA agreed fares for the journey to New York, for an individual.

Moreover, the "legitimate" travel agent receives a growing spate of complaints from his customers who have found themselves sitting in-flight by a passenger who has paid up to 50 per cent less for his ticket on the "illegitimate" market. Naturally such a customer assumes that his travel agent has sold to him a ticket at immense pro-fit, compared with his co-traveller's

No, not Laker. There would be no need for his Skytrain if the international airlines put their houses in order. Let IATA confine itself to safety regulations and not act as a front to an international airline price cartel. Yours faithfully. KENNETH G. BRAIDWOOD, John Ferer Ltd., 54 Shepherd Market, Curzon Street, W.1. December 20.

European unity

From Lord Lytton Sir, From your leader yesterday (December 29) we are reminded that France is not always wise. Sixty years ago she opted for 20 years of peace (Clemenceau) instead of the chance of perpetual peace. Twenty is all that Europe

From what you report. France seems now on the brink of oping for 40 years of power (fission) instead of the chance of perpetual power (fusion). If that he so Europe must, albeit with extreme regret, opt out of France and leave ner alone with 40 years. As one who at baptism was stamped with the mark of my

farher's love of France (to mother's annoyance he took me to the four alone and called me "Noel"), I express the hope that someone with a name more like Napoleon may rise up and say " we do not refuse to fuse". Yours faithfully, LYTTON, Lillycombe, Porlock,

Somerset.

Christmas Day.

You will be poorer this year

From the General Secretary of a significant respose. There is now the Electrical Power Engineers a growing demand for an effective Association

Sir, In your article on December 23 "You will be poorer next year", you wrote of the violent changes in the financial circumstances of Britain's managerial and professional classes in the 1970s and you pointed out that a similar process afflicted the German middle class in the 1920s, destabilising German society.

As it happens I alluded to the same feature at the TUC Congress in September 1974. I then said:

"We cannot allow all those who exercise skill and responsibility in our society to have their standards continually undermined over a period of time. It was just this that happened in the inflation in Germany 40. years ago and paved the way to Fascism . . . "

We are still a long way from Fascism, even if history were to repeat itself, but it is useful that someone else is waking up to the fundamental polinical and social dangers inherent in the hugely dis-criminatory incomes' policies of recent years.

Since that speech the process of discrimination has gathered pace. The facts concerning our own membership are arresting enough. After allowing for the £4.00 a week increase due in Pebruary and the 15 per cent inflation anticipated by the Chancellor through 1977, in the three years from February 1, 1975 to February 1, 1978, our members will have suffered a reduction in net living standards, broadly speaking, of between 25 and 34 per cent—in three years!

You also said that "the professional and managerial trade unions have not been able to protect their members. Here, I disagree, both in general and in particular. In general because you assume that professional and managerial staffs are mostly in membership of trade unions, which is not so. In industry at large the great majority of them still do not belong to any union.

Encouragingly, but still falter-ingly, that situation is beginning to change. My own association, which is non political, has opened its doors to these staffs and has already found

trade union of strength and stand-ing in which these staffs would not be a small minority and which genuinely believes in defending their interests and championing their legitimate aspirations in society. What is necessary is for this demand to establish its organized expression right across industry without further delay.

I disagree in particular since the EPEA, which represents virtually the entire qualified engineering and managerial manpower in electricity supply, most certainly has the power to protect its members if we choose

We have consciously acquiesced in the £6 and £4 a week policies be-cause of the overriding necessity to reduce inflation and woemployment. Our first line of protection is, after ail, a sound economy.

However, the very success of the discriminatory features of these policies is beginning to militate against the successful regeneration of the economy. There is, anway, a limir, to their acceptability. This limir, as it happens, is one we ourselves can apply if others will not

selves can apply if others will not. Our annual conference last April that reluctant as we are to exercise our power, the logical continuation of TUC and Government attitudes to the pay of skilled and professional people would inevitably force our association into major industrial action sometime (then) in the next two or three years.

There was, and is, still time for a change of course. But we were quite clear that we would "not cooperate in the extinction of the skilled and professional workforce of this country, upon whom the whole economy depends".

The Government, in framing any further round of incomes policy, will be well advised to note carefully the views and feelings of the membership of the EPEA. Yours faithfully JOHN LYONS, Station House, Fox Lane North, Chertsey,

Surrey. December 31.

Soviet psychiatry

From Dr Sidney Bloch and Mr Anthony Storr

Sir, Happily Vladimir Bukovsky is now free (Times, December 18). The "anti-Soviet crime" for which he was originally charged and sentenced was to publicize the misuse of psychiatry in the USSR for the suppression of dissent.

Another young dissident still remains interned in a Perm labour camp for his condemnation of the Soviet political use of psychiatry. Dr Semyon Gluzman, a psychiatrist him-self, initially attracted the attention of the authorities when he refused to take up an appointment in the Dnepropetrovsk Special Psychiatric Hospital, convinced as he was that healthy dissenters were interned there solely because of their views. Later, with two anonymous colleagues, he wrote a critical account of the psychiatric detention of Major-General Grigorenko.

The regime could not tolerate such ouspoken criticism; in 1972 Gluz-man was charged with reading and circulating "anti-Soviet" material (in fact Solzhenitsyn's Cancer Ward) and received a savage sentence of seven years in a strict régime labour camp and three years of internal exile. Beyond doubt the real reason for the harsh punishment was to deter other psychiatrists from revealing further evidence of the psychiatric abuse.

While in the labour camp, Gluz-man has adhered staunchly to his principles. He has maintained an incessant campaign to have the rights of his fellow inmates respecred. Amazingly, in association with Bukovsky, he prepared A Manual on Psychiatry for Dissidents in which he advises dissenter on how to deal with "police-psychiatrists". Earlier this year disquieting reports reached the West that he might be charged -while still serving his current term-with repetition of his anti-Soviet offences. That danger stiff

Western psychiatrists, including the Royal College of Psychiatrists,

have intermittently issued protests on their colleague's behalf. The need is now as great as ever for the pro-fession, and others, to press the Russian Government into releasing Gluzman forthwith; perhaps repeating the arrangement in which detainees are exchanged. Yours faithfully, SIDNEY BLOCK.

Clinical Tutor in Psychiatry, ANTHONY STORR, Consultant Psychotherapist, University of Oxford. Department of Psychiatry, The Warneford Hospital, December 18.

Police methods

Sir, Last night my home was searched by seven police officers who entered with a warrant hoping to find evidence of supplying hard drugs. None was found and they told me that the warrant had been issued on the information of a detained drug user, unknown to myself, who had overheard what he thought was my address. thought was my address.

The police behaved quite properly throughout and obviously realized that they had made a mistake. However, no apology was given for upsetting my family late at night, and the warrant gives them the authority to again enter my house at anytime within the next month, and by force if necessary. Whilst believing that it is important that the police have sufficient powers to prevent the deadly traffic in hard drugs, it does seem disturbing that innocent people can be subjected to the humiliating experience of having their homes rigorously searched on

the basis of uncorroborated hearsay, Yours faithfully, PETER BERKELEY 58A Marlborough Hill, Harrow, Middlesex. December 21.

Local government reforms From Mr Gareth Gimblett

Sir, In his letter today (December 29), Mr Trevor Jones quite rightly highlights the ludicrous constraints under which local government currently labours, but destroys his case for reform by proposing the well worn solutions of the Liberal Party, which in themselves will do little to change the present situa-

For, as Mr Jones says, what is needed is political, rather than administrative reform, but the creation of regional assemblies, the transfer of the powers of present county councils to the districts, the introduction of proportional repre-sentation and the institution of local referenda will make not one iota of difference to the present impotence of local authorities.

Indeed, such changes could well make matters worse, for the re-shuffling of functions between existing and new bodies as proposed by the Liberal Party would make local government even more removed from the electorate than it is at oresent.

Rather than alter the structure of local government so soon after its last major upheaval, what needs to be done is to make the present system work. This most mean a complete reappraisal of the relativepowers of central and local government—powers to raise revenues, to determine priorities and the level of funding these priorities should receive. At present, central govern-ment has too great a control over these matters, so much in fact that the term "local government" has become a misnomer for "local administration ".

For too long has the assumption that central government knows best been allowed to stand unchallenged —Indeed, the reverse is probably true, for who better to decide local needs and the level at which these seeds should be supported than the

through its various levels of local By all means let central government decide the minimum standards required for the various functions undertaken by local authorities, but then allow individual councils to decide at what levels greater than the minimum these functions should be sustained in a given locality. This is the way to make local gov-

responsive to the wishes of the But what hope is there of such reform in the present political limate? Precious little, Government's consultative document Devolution: The English Dimension is anything to go by, for this document is characterized through-out by the thinly disguised reluctance of central government to relinquish any of its present

ernment truly local and much more

Thus we read in the context of regional assemblies that the devointion of powers along the lines outlined above would "lead to possibly marked differences over short distances . . . could directly reduce the ability (of Ministers) to maintain national policies ... would fundamentally affect the ability of Ministers to account separately and collectively to Parliament for the policies, standards and priorities of the services they administer . r. and would involve an enormous diminution of the role of Parliament

and its Members ". Such negative thinking inspires little confidence of any change, but what the Government fears is precisely that which is needed to reinvigorate local government. Until this is recognized, no amount of juggling of the kind suggested by Mr Jones will cure the present

situation. Yours faithfully, GARETH GIMBLETT. 6 Park View Drive South, Charvil,

December 29.

The Christmas and New Year break

From Mr Ernest Cars Sir, Much of the criticism now being made of the close-down by sections of the United Kingdom manufacturing industry over the period from Christmas Eve until after the New Year's Day Bank

Holiday is unjustified.

The majority of companies involved have simply chosen to take part of their annual entitlement of holidays at this particular time.
This makes good sense for two

1) The period between Christmas and New Year has, in the past heen notorious for the high incidence of casual absenteeism. This, when compounded by absenteeism. due to genuine sickness (also very 🕆

due to genuine sickness (also very high at this time of the year), the high at this time of the year), the disruption to manufacturing processes requiring balanced teams is serious and costly.

2) Christmas to New Year is the time of the shortest days and inclement weather, when factory heating and lighting costs are around their maximum.

In our Group, we have nine individual manufacturing units, eight arranged to close during the period between the two Bank Holt-

period between the two Bank Holi-days, whilst one worked; yet all have the same annual entitlement for holidays. Euch subsidiary has the autonomy to arrange its holidays. in accordance with its own trading; in accordance with its own trading circumstances and with the agreement of its work people. Those companies who have taken the extended break between Christmas and New Year have, in fact followed preferred Group policy. I believe our own situation to be typical of most in the British manufacturing industry.

facturing industry.

May I add, in case our preference
be considered inspired by personal
comfort, that our Group head
quarters—a purely administrative
unit with a small staff—has worked
this make the desired of the small staff—has worked this week; we had our AGM verter aday and I am dictaring this letter to you on New Year's Eve! Yours sincerely,

ERNEST CARS. Chairman and Managing Director,
The Moss Engineering Group Birmingham. December 31,

From Mr Lionel J. Lewis

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Sir, We, in the legal profession, have
over the years taken a lot of stick
(although we know how to take it).

There is, however, a late member
of our profession who suffers still
from annual vilification without
anyone having actual regard to his
views. The present trend to extend
Christmas into a fortnightly holiday
should cause a reappraisal of that should cause a reappraisal of that most distinguished solicitor, Mr.

Ebenezer Scrooge.

The poor man had his faults. He may have gone too far in wanting - to stay open over Christmas through conscientiousness on behalf of his clients from whom there is no record of any complaint whatsoever. One must bear in mind that poor Mr Scrooge was considerably over-worked following the death of his former partner, Mr Jacob Marley, out despite this Mr Scrooge was able to service his chients by sheer hard work and determination and with out taking tranquillizers or time off. In these circumstances one should forgive his bad temper which doubt less was caused by overwork and bad dreams.

As far as Christmas fortnight is concerned, we say: Christmas hum Yours faithfully. LIONEL J. LEWIS.

25 Montpelier Vale, Blackheath Village, SE3. December 31.

Right of trial by jury From Mr J. A. Seabrook

Sir, My correspondence some years ago with the Aylesbury Post Office may be relevant. I wrote that a nearby pillar box became overloaded with letters in the evening so that it was easy for anyone to put his hand in the box and take out any letters already there, and suggesting that a larger box or any suggesting th suggesting that a larger box or a second box should be provided.

The reply was, in substance, that

the trouble was due to people posting too many letters in the box.

The Lord Chancellor and the Government now say that the cause of the congestion in the Crown Court is due to the many people. Court is due to too many people exercising their right of trial by

After all these years I do not expect anything to happen about the pillar box, but when the liberty of the subject is at stake we should insist on extra capacity in the Crown Courts and not be fobbed off with the right to receive in summary cases advance copies of the prosecution evidence (even if the Government offer this concession). There is not only the immediate issue of reraining the right to jury trial but the question what other rights may one day be taken from us on the ground that we exercise them too much, Yours faithfully,

I. A. SEABROOK. Castle Street, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire,

Jubilee bonfires From Mr E. W. C. Symes

Sir, While countless local committees are considering how best to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee with ... maximum effect and minimum expenditure, I ask that they do not? overlook the inclusion of hilltop bonfires in their plans. This winter thousands of diseased elms are being felled, and the branches are regarded as waste to be burnt in situ. Let them be reserved for carry. ing to the hilltop bonfire sites' during the coming months, and hundreds of impressive conflagrations will flame skyward on Jubilet night, at no costly outlay on fuel. . In 1588, under the first Elizabeth, hilitop beacons signalled the approach of the Spanish Armada— the bonfires lit for Elizabeth the Second may perhaps signed our ultimate triumph over no less threatening circumstances in 1977. Yours faithfully,

E. W. C. SYMES. Culmore, Kingston Deverill, Warminster, Wiltshire.



COURT **CIRCULAR**

January 4: The Hon Mary Morrison has succeeded Lady Abel Smith as Lady in Westing to The Queen.

CLARENCE HOUSE January 4: The Hon Mrs John Mulholland has succeeded Ruth, Lady Fermoy as Lady-in-Waiding to Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.

The King of Spain is 39 today. The Duke of Kent will visit the Rotaprint factory, Kingsbury, Lon-don, in connexion with the British Overseas Trade Board's North London and Luton export conference on January 20.

The Duchess of Kent will launch a bulk carrier for Welsh Ore Car-riers at Austin and Pickersgill's shipyard, Sunderland, on January

Birthdays today

Sir Kenneth Bradley, 73; Miss Stella Gibbons, 75; Sir Frank Hartley, 66; Dame Kathleen Kenyon, 71; Mr Bernard Leach, 90; the Right Rev Dr T. Long-worth, 86; Dr J. R. Peddie, 90; Major-General H. Quinlan, 71; Sir Bryan Sharwood-Smith, 78.

Marriages

Mr J. N. Brown and Mrs E. A. Skevens The marriage took place on December 31, in Cambridge, of Mr John Neville Brown, of Kettleburgh, Woodbridge, Sutfolk, and Mrs Elizabeth Ann Skevens, widow of Samuel Frederic widow of Samuel Fre Skevens, of Beccles, Suffolk.

Mr R. D. Neame and Mrs A. Sarsfield The marriage took place on Tuesday, December 28, between Mr Richard Dewar Neame, of The Court House, Bishopsbourne, near Canterbury, and Mrs Anne Sars-

The marriage took place at the Church of St Fergus, Forfar, on December 31 between Mr William Roxburgh, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Willis Roxburgh, and Miss Susannah Don, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Garin Don. Father Sreeman officiated and the blessing was given by the Rev Anthony

The bride was attended by Miss Sally Don. Miss Katherine Chatard, Cecily Don. Corrine and Kirstin Simmers and Odon de Bellissen. A reception was held at Gardyne Castle.

Today's engagements

The Duke of Gloucester opens amual conference of Council for Education in World Citizen-ship, Piccadilly Hotel, Loudon, Exhibition: New South Wales

stamps, Gibbons Gallery, 399 Strand, 9.30-4.30. Letture: Michelangelo, by Audrey
P. Tyndall, Nacional Gallery, 1.
Lunchtime music: Celia Tope,
sopramo, and Garrett O'Brien,
piano, St Olave's Church, Hart
Street, City, 1.05.

The new Grove's dictionary of music will run to 20 volumes and cost about £500 Symphony for 2,000 writers, 50 staff, and a computer

"Like their earlier songs, 'Yesterday' has some of the subtleties of clues, and one section is pentatonic, but it' beat, and the typical rock-and-roll ensemble is replaced by a string quartet."

string quartet."

That assessment of the Beatles is not the kind of information one would expect to elicit from Grove's Dictionary of Music and Musicians, even if the tone is familiar, but such entries will figure prominently in the new edition of the musicians' standard reference guide, at present being prepared at a cost of about £2.5m.

The new Grove the sixth

The new Grove, the sixth the insular in approach, and the edition of the work Sir George Grove founded in 1878 with a when it was compiled, were

Forthcoming marriages

Miss R. M. B. Reitman The engagement is announced between Robert Keith, eldest son of the Hon Keich Rous and the late Hon Mrs Pardoe, and Roseanna, younger daughter of Mrs Francis Reitman and the late Francis Reitman, Duck House, Fivehead, Taunton, Somerset.

Mr W. R. Andrewes and Miss J. Z. Webster

and Miss J. Z. Webster
The engagement is announced between William Richard, younger son of the late Mr L. R. Andrewes and of Mrs Joan Andrewes, of the Old House, Combe, Oxford, and Jill Zilpah, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs I. H. Webster, of Frithsden, Forest Row, Sussex.

Mr R. M. Denman and Miss J. H. Dods

and Miss J. H. Dous

The engagement is announced between Richard, younger son of
Professor and Miss D. R. Denman,
of Cambridge, and Jacquetine,
only daughter of Mr and Mrs
J. E. Dods, of Upminster, Essex.

and Miss M. J. Stephenson Clarke

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The engagement is announced
between Philippe, son of Dr and
Mme Gudin, Château de St Hilaire.
St Hilaire-en-Morvand, Nièvre, and
Marylynn, only daughter of Mr
Robert N. Stephenson Clarke,
Borde Hill, Haywards Heath,
Sussex, and Mrs Nidla Clarke, of
53 Ahingdon Villas. Kensington. 53 Abingdon Villas, Kensington,

Mr R. P. Langton and Miss A. F. Sturge

the engagement is announced between Robin, son of Captain and Mrs J. S. Langton, of Newlands, Headley, Bordon, Hampshire, and Alson, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. H. Sturge, of The Robin House, Linger, Faching

and Miss L. M. D. Moger and Miss L. M. D. Moger
The engagement is announced between Roderic, younger son of Mr and Mrs W. Shaw Brown, of Hepworth, Diss, Norfolk, and Lavinia, daughter of Mrs C. E. R. Moger, of Petersfield, Hampshire, and Mr R. V. D. Moger, of Dittisham, Devon.

and Mrs S. S. P. J. Khashoggi The engagement is announced between Nabil, younger son of Mr and Mrs Najib Traboulsi, of Lebanon, and Soraya, only daughter of the late Stephen Jarvis Daly and the late Mrs F. Hollis.

humble single volume in mind (even that ended up as four) will stretch to about 20 volumes, encompassing a wider variety of musical genres, musicians and composers in greater depth than has been attempted before. Its publication will coincide with the centenary of the first edition, and repre-sents the complative efforts of 2,000 contributors and 50 full-

time staff over six years. "A revision of the old Grove simply was not on ", Mr Stanley Sadie, editor of the new dictionary, said. "There has been an unprecedented explosion in musicological scholarshio in the past two decades. Besides it was

and Miss B. M. J. Goodall
The engagement is announced between Anthony John, only son of Mr and Mrs A. J. Abbott, of Toronto, Canada, and Emma Mary Jane. eldest daughter of Mr J. B. W. Goodall, of Rio de Janeiro, Braull, and Mrs J. M. Goodall, of Beggar's Roost, Berkhamsted, Hertfordshire.

The engagement is announced between Adrian Jereny, younger son of Mrs Margaret Blows, of Newton, Swansea, and the late Mr

Raigh Blows, and Joanna Rosa-ind, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Rhuddian Gething, also of

The engagement is announced between Peter George Dore, of Tipme, and Nicola Tamaris Feduchin, of Lymington, Hamp-

The engagement is announced between Michael, eldest son of Mr

and Mrs Geoffrey Everington, of Limpsfield, Surrey, and Belen, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Gaudencio Romero, of Lazcano, Guipuzcoa, Spain.

The engagement is andounced between Robert, son of Mr and Mrs Boris Gussman, of Boiney, Sussex, and Elizabeth, elder daughter of Mr R. A. K. Nevitt, and the late Mrs Nevitt, of Boar's Hill Oxford.

The engagement is announced between Paul, son of Major D. W. Lodge, RE, and Mrs Lodge, of Sharjah, the United Arab Emirates, and Tanka Kerensa, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs P. J. A. Wetson, of Restronguet, Falmouth, Commall

The engagement is announced between Arthur George, only son of Mrs Evelyn Nicholson, of Runcton, Sussex, and Margaret, only daughter of the late Ven R. J. Tree and of Mrs R. J. Tree, of Golden Grove, Dyfed.

and Miss L. G. C. Galsman

and Miss L. G. C. Gaisman
The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Colonel
and Mis Guy Stocker, of SHAPE,
Belgium, and Lindy, daughter of
Mr and Mrs Peter Gaisman, of
Church House, Kirdford, Sussex.

Mr C. P. Stocker

The Rev R. W. S. L. Gussman

Mr P. Lodge and Miss T. K. Watson

Mr A. J. Abbott and Miss E. M. J. Goodail

Mr A. J. Blows and Miss J. R. Gething

Newton, Swansea.

Mr P. G. Dore and Miss N. T. Feduchin

Mr M. G. Everington and Miss M. B. Romero

A third of the articles in the new edition has been written by Americans, and another third by Germans and other Con-tinental scholars, thus redress-ing its present English bias. Ribliographies are generally

four times as long as in the present edition, and composers' work-lists give manuscript numbers and exhaustive archival detail, which, it is hoped, will cast light on such thorny areas as the authenticity and dating of works by Haydn and Handel. uances. Whereas the old dictionary

tended to limit itself to an historical survey of music, the new one delves into the func-tions and origins of musical forms, and traces methodically

and Miss A. J. Bollongh
The engagement is amnounced between Robin Michael Haswell, only son of Mr and Mrs Haswell, and Grand Haswell, only son of Mr and Mrs Haswell Harrogate, Yorkshire, and Ann Julia, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs C. B. Bullough, of 216 Liverpool Road South, Maghull, Liverpool.

The engagement is announced between Douglas John, elder son of Mr and Mrs H. D. Dales, of

Beckenham, Kent, and Geraldine, only daughter of Mr and Mrs D. Ashley Courtenay, of South Am-bersham, Midburst, Sussex.

and Miss S. F. Near
The engagement is announced
between Patrick Haslett, son of
the late Major P. H. Freke Evans
and Mrs C. I. L. Freke Evans, of
Cambridge, and Susan Penelope,
daughter of Major and Mrs G.
Kent, of Furzen Lodge, Abinger
Common, Surrey.

and Muss A. K. Tureifail
The engagement is announced between Paul Adrian Hunter, elder
son of Mr and Mrs C. R. Holloway, of Briar Cottage, Wadhurst,
Sussex, and Alexandra Katharine,
younger daughter of Mr R. I.
Threlfall, QC, and Mrs Ihrelfail,
of Pebble Hill House, Limpsfield,

Mr M. K. H. Ostoche and Miss P. A. Shepherd-Cross

The engagement is announced between Charles Herbert, elder son of Captain Blake Parker, Royal Navy, and Mrs Parker, of Whyston, Steep, Petersfield, Hampshire, and Victoria Kathleen.

elder daughter of the late Richard and Julia Scott, and niece of Sir James and Lady Scott, of Rother-field Park, Akon, Hampshire.

and mass J. C. Freeland,
The engagement is announced between James Patrick, younger son of Mr and Mrs Peter Tabor, of Farthings Farm, Glastonbury, Somerset, and Jennifer Caryll, daughter of Mr B. R. C. Freeland and the late Mrs Freeland, of Overstream House, Heytesbury, Willschipp

Lord Leicester's £11m

A further grant of probate in respect of settled land valued at £11,218,926 has been issued in the estate of Lord Leicester, the fifth earl, of Holkham Hall, Norfolk, in addition to unsettled active already splined 2, £05,126.

estate already valued at £95,136, making a total of £11,314,052.

Mrs Ruby Nellie Oswald Wallace, of Kingston Hill, Surrey, left £187,862 net. After various bequests she left the residue equally between the Imperial Cancer Research Fund and Guide Dogs for the Blind Association. Mr Clayton Conyers Morrell, of Christchurch, left £67,348 net. After beguests of £7,500 he left.

Other estates include (net, before

duty paid; duty not disclosed):
Adcock, Miss Winifred Florence,
of Overstrand, Norfolk £205,320

Karpeles, Dr Maud Pauline, of

Belgravia, London, president of the International Folk Music Council £16,554

Mr C. H. Purker and Miss V. K. Scott

Mr J. P. Tabor and Miss J. C. Freeland

Latest wills

Mr R. M. H. Alder and Miss A. J. Bollough

Mr D. J. Dales and Miss G. Courtenay

Major P. H. Freke Evans

Mr P. A. H. Holloway and Miss A. K. Threlfall

and Miss S. P. Kent

the evolution of musical tradi-tions?, Mr Sadie said. The new work also tackles exhaustively musical epochs that are traditionally neglected "our coverage of the Renaissance is much fuller than anyone would have dreamed possible twenty years ago"—and musical areas, such as Latin America and the Far East. Modern music, from jazz to electronic, finds a place. "They are just as much a part of contemporary music as Benja-min Britten", Mr Sadie said, "although they are not covered at as much length because you do not turn to Grove for that kind of thing."

Editing a work of the new Grove's dimensions has called for prodigious efforts of co-ordination by Mr Sadie, who sustain jobs as a music critic for The Times and editor of Musical Times. He has been helped by an advisory panel of twenty eminent music scholars, and a computer-The dictionary's expected

price of £500 or more is bound to price many music lovers out of the marker. But the work promises to be original and in-novatory. Mr Harold Macmillan, president of Macmillan, the publishers, has taken a strong personal interest in seeing in through. "A dictionary's job is in record received knowledge."

Mr Sadie said, "although in this
case much of it has been freshly received by us."

The new Grove will be the closest to a definitive compendium of music produced to date.

Community-centre role for libraries urged

By Our Arts Reporter A change in the conventional role of the public fibrary to make it a centre of community activity is called for in a report on public libraries in a multicultural Britain published today by the Library Association.

Association.

Many members of minority groups, it says, view the public library, as they do other public offices, with a mixture of missiving, doubt and suspicion, "and so it calls for some determination to enter the library in the first rates and them to go on using

The report was introduced at The report was introduced at a press conference yesterday by Mr Eric Clough, former city librarian of Southampton, who is working on the provision of public library services for ethnic minorities.

It says libraries could offer a wider range of books, newspapers.

wider range of books, newspapers, sound recordings, films and other audio-visual materials. They could provide facilities for community activities; go out into the com-munity with small exhibitions and makes; make small collections of books available to community associations and meet community

Provision needs to be made to bely West Indians with their

special language difficulties; many west Indians and their children speak a dialect more than adequate for their everyday needs but it is a handicap when it comes to speaking, reading and writing standard English.

The report says public library services should be of particular value in providing an information service to members of minority

service to members of minority service to members of minority ethnic groups who are strangers in a strange land, baffled by the complexities of our society.

The library could be of inestimable value in helping to resolve those perplexities, perhaps as a reference centre for the many specialized public information centres, but that opportunity is often missed, and reference and information services are rarely used.

For children, the need for some knowledge of their own cultural, social and historical background is of even greater significance than for their parents; for many, books are the only substitute for experience. The case for providing books for children in their mathe

for children in their mother tongues is overwhelming where there is proved need and demand. Copies of the report, published as a leaflet, can be obtained free from the Library Association, 7 Ridgmount Street, London WCIE 7AE.

Dinners

The engagement is announced between Michael, eldest son of Mr and Mrs H. E. T. Ostoche. of Tara, Langton Matravers, Dorset, and Penelope, daughter of Major and Mrs T. R. Shepherd-Cross, of Steephill, St Saviour, Largest Gold and Silver Wyre Drawers' Company The Installation Court service of the Gold and Silver Wyre Drawers' Company was held at the Church of St James, Garlickhythe, yester-day evening, when Canon Richard day evening, when Canon Richard Tydeman gave an address. Afterwards dinner was held at Painters' Hall. The speakers included Mr J. Dundas Hamilton and Mr G. Bernard Audley. Sir Kenneth Selby was among the guests. The new Master of the company is Mr G. A. Ross Goobey and the Wardens are Mr Rodney C. A. FitzGerald, Mr C. G. Givvins, Mr L. G. Mayhew and Mr J. W. T. Amey.

> London Court of Arbitration The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the Sheriffs and their ladies, were present at the annual dinner of the London Court of Arbitration, held at the City Livery Club yesterday evening. The chairman. Mr teraly evening. The charman, Mr Leslie B. Prince, presided, and the other speakers were the Lord Mayor and Mr J. F. Phillips, President of the Institute of

> installed as chairman of the London Court of Arbitration for 1977, with Mr R. G. Scriven as deputy chairman, and Mr F. N. Steiner as vice-chairman.

> Sherlock Holmes Society οľ London The annual dinner of the Sherlock Holmes Society of London, given this year the canonical title of the Reigate Jubilee, was held at the Charing Cross Hotel last night. Mr Frank Allen, chairman of the society, was in the charman of the society, was in the charman of the society. of the society, was in the chair, and the guest of honour was Mr Macdonald Hastings. Mrs P. Dalton also spoke.

Latest appointments

After bequests of £7,600 he left two thirds of the residue to Providence (Row) Night Refuge and Home, London, and one third to St Anthony's Convent children's home, Aidershot. Latest appointments include: Mr Michael Ward, MP for Peter borough, to be parliamentary pri-vate secretary to Mr Judd, Minis-ter for Overseas Development. Professor Walter James, dean of educational studies, Open Univer-stry, to be principal of the College of Higher Education, Worcester, from September 1. tile infernational Fox Music Council . . . £16,554 Middleton, Mrs Sybil Pauline Marguerite, of Hentield £293,473

Prospective candidate

Mr David Dearing, aged 49. an accountaint, of Winchmore Hill. London, to be prospective Liberal candidate for Essex South-east. At candidate for Essex South-east. At the last general election Sir Ber-nard Braine, Conservative, had a majority of 8,710 in a three-

Career training award Wiltshire County Council is to of In-Service Training (Careers Education and Guidance), for teachers who successfully complete seven one-week courses.

Metal-detector users damage historic sites

From Our Correspondent Action to curb treasure hunters using metal-detectors who have damaged archaeological sites in Dorset is suggested by Mr Roger Peers, curator of the Dorset Natural History and Archaeo-logical Society

logical Society.

In a report to the county council's standing conference on countryside matters, he suggests that people should watch out for treasure hunters on scheduled sites and warn them off and take their Car numbers.

Badbury Rings and Maiden
Castle have been damaged, he

says, and 18 treasure hunters were found at a scheduled Roman villa on Purbeck.

Peak cavern to open at Easter

ole's Cavern, Derbyshire, a showplace since Roman days, is to reopen to the public at Easter after being closed for 11 years. Mr Selwyn Jepson, the resort activities manage High Peak, said vesterday that experts had been surprised to find that stalagmites had formed on the footpath of the 1,000ft-long

they grow an inch every 10 thousand years, but here we have stalagmites of two or three inches formed in 11 years." The cavern has been bought by Buxton Civic Association.

£300,000 gift for Bible fund

A £300,000 gift has been made by the Bible Society to help to start the Bible Society to help to start a scripture supply fund for parts of the world with special needs. The fund, of £700,000, is being established by the United Bible Societies. It will provide advance finance in countries, such as Nigeria, where there is a long delay between scriptures being ordered and being paid for.

Clifton College

The Lent Term at Clifton begins today with 654 boys in the upper school and 504 in the preparatory school. Head of school is N. R. Gerard-Pearse (Dakins') and second head of school J. H. Hammett (North Town). The weekend conference for parents of GCE candidates is on February 12 and 13 and the spring concert at the Colston Hall is on March 15, when the chorus of Clifton College, Clifton High School and Badminthe chorus of Clifton College Clifton High School and Badmin ton School will perform Bee ton School will perform Beet-hoven's Mass in C. Term ends on March 23.

Science report

Surveying: Tunnel for accelerator

The new particle accelerator just brought into operation at the European centre for nuclear research (Cern), near Geneva, is not just pushing back the frontiers of physics. The tunnel in which it is boused has called for hitherto unheard-of precision in surveying and drilling, in a recent report Dr J. Gervalse, of Cern's survey group, has described how such high precision was achieved.

Table 1 plane the radius of the circle was set up and determined the meridian.

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The survey began on the surveying along the tunnel then allowed the marnets to be installed in their provisional positions.

was used. Every 32 metres around the tunnel that apparatus

As the survey proceeded it was found that no magnet support had to be uprooted; the most the position of any magnet had to be adjusted was 8mm. It turned out that the circle around which the protons were to pass was accurate to within 2.5mm in radius everywhere, and around the circle the radius deviated from magnet to magnet by no more than half the 0.15mm, which had been the design criterion. As a result, when the accelerator was switched on for preliminary tests on May 3, 1976, it worked first time. As the survey proceeded it was 1976, it worked first time.

R. M. writes:

Perhaps the most appropriate tribute to "Cappy" Lane, and certainly one he would have accepted with as much humour as disbelief, is that his death on December 29 brought to many politemen and lawyers a genuine sense of shared loss. Since 1965, until his retirement last June, he had been Solicitor to the Metropolitan Police, heading a department of 50 lawyers and responsible for advising three successive Commissioners on all prosecutions not the responsibility of the Director of Public Prosecutions. It was in every way a difficult period, marked by changes in beth criminal justice and accepted for the RAAF as soon as war broke out and piloted bombers and fighters in the Middle East and England. He was awarded the DFC after landing a shot-up bomber in North Africa; during the latter part of the war as a test pilot be flew many types of aircraft including the first Meteor fet, and was subsequently awarded the AFC. He returned only briefly to Australia, joining New Scotland Yard as a legal.

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His wife's untimely death in April, 1974, had a profound effect on him from which he never really recovered. A keen athlete, a member of the MCC, an enthusiastic traveller, he had countless friends in tion. Perhaps even more signifi-cant, in a difficult and contentious role, he could oppose without offending and was incapable of maintaining or pro-voking malice, much less enmity. He was made CBE

that he should emerge from it with the respect and even the affection of lawyer and policeman alike. By the time of his retirement he had assumed an importance and an infiltence in Scotland Yard that he was too modest to recognize. Not at all surprising, in view of his earlier career, was the warm respect and affection he enjoyed in his before his retirement. He gave An Australian, he took a First much to in Law at Sydney University while learning to fly privately. much to the Metropolitan Force by whom he will be greatly

WING COMMANDER JAMES LAWSON

MR E. O. LANE

Former Solicitor to the

Metropolitan Police

Wing Commander James he also played his part in get. Lawson died just before Christmas at the age of \$1. His the RAF when war ended. In death meant that the Royal Air Force Rugby Union lost one of long-serving administrator and presidency of the RFU.

a past President.

Jimmy Lawson was a character in the old-fashioned sense.

own department.

Police accountability, and it was for him a major achievement

OBITUARY

many friends, was commissioned into the Royal Flying Corps in 1918 having previously served in the Fusilier Regiment which he joined from Cambridge University. After the 1914-18 War he stayed on in the Royal Air World War II he was recalled to full time service, re-tiring for the second time in the 1946. Later that year he accepted the newly-created post of Director of Sport for the Royal Air Force, an appointment he held until 1961.

He had a deep and abiding passion for rugby football, as a player for Richmond, a referee who knew how to let the game run, and a top administrator. He became Honorary Secretary of the Roval Air Force Rugby Union in 1923, a post he held until the outbreak of the Second World War. With Cyril Gadney and others he helped many rugby playing countries keep the game going in the turoughout the world.

SIR EDWARD HANMER

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Edward the 7th Baronet. Educated at Wellington College he served the First World War in the Shropshire Yeomanry and the Royal Air Force, flying over 100 targets in Ostend, Bruges and Zeebrugge. Later he was a JP for Flintshire of which cou he became High Sheriff in 1932. On his estate in the Marches he had a stud and cattle farm and was Master of Sir W. W. Wynn's Hounds from 1946 to 1953. A devotee of the turf he was a member of the Jockey Club and the National Hunt Committee and was Senior Stew-

ard at Haydock Park from 1928 He was also a well known owner and had won the Park Hill Stakes with Fury; the Manchester Cup with Moneybox and two successive National Hunt Handicap Steeplechases with Teme Willow. His best win was with Royal Frolic—trained by Fred Rimmell-in the Cheltenham Gold Cup, last March. He married, first, in 1921. Aileen Mary, elder daughter of Captain J. E. Rogerson. They had one son and three daughters. His first wife died in 1967 and he married, in 1968, Mrs Angela Mary Bromley, widow of Richard Nightingale Bromley. His son, John Edward Wyndham

DR ERNST WIGFORSS

Hanmer, succeeds him.

Dr Ernst Wigforss, who was Finance Minister in several Swedish social democratic cabinets between 1925 and 1949, died on January 2. He was regarded as one of the architects of Swedish economic recovery during the prewar denression.

He was chairman of the group that drew up the Swedish labour movement's postwar programme, which gave high priority to maintaining full

Princess Margaretha, widow of Prince Axel of Denmark, died on Tuesday at the age of 77. She was born in Stockholm on June 25, 1899, a daughter of Prince Carl and Princess Ingeneral Street Carl borg of Sweden. She married Prince Axel in Stockholm in 1919. He died in 1964.

Mrs Olive Dicfenbaker, wife of former Canadian Prime Minister Mr John Diefenbaker, died on Wednesday at the age of 73. She was Olive Evan-goline, daughter of the Rev Dr C. B. Freeman, and she married Mr Diefenbaker as his second wife in 1953.

Professor William Christopher Miller, Courtauld Professor of Animal Husbandry, Royal Veterinary College 1925-46 and Director of the Equine Research Station of the Animal Health Trust, Newmarket, 1946-66, died on December 17. He

The Ven Hubert Arthur Stanley Pink, Archdeacon of Hamp-stead, 196474 and subsequently Archdeacon Emeritus, died on December 22 at the age of 71 From 1951 to 1965 he was rector of Hackney.

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Force Rugby Union lost one of
its staunchest supporters and
the Rugby Football Union a
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affectionately known to his His friendly, out-going manner many friends, was commissioned coupled with his deep known ledge of rugby matters, mack him a popular president and a favourite figure in rugby club circles. His brown bowler hat which he always wore whatever the season or occasion, became Force as a regular officer, re- a familiar sight in the Commit-tiring in 1930. On the outbreak tee Box at Twickenham as Jimmy surveyed the scene he so much loved and of which he became over the years so much a part. He was a great racon-teur with a fund of RAF and rugby anecdotes which helped-while away the time on jour-neys to matches. He never forgot that it was the players who made the game not the

administrators. In the last five years of his he he suffered much from illhealth, having lost a leg in a motor accident. He, neverthe-less, remained cheerful and uncomplaining. He will be missed. in RAF and rugby football carcles in this country and in

MR P. H. G. H-S. HARTLEY

Mr Percival Hubert Graham Hanmer, Bt, dien on New Year's Horton-Smith Hartley, OBE, Day at the age of 83. He was who died in a London hospital on January 3 at the age of 80, was one of the best-known and loved figures in the world of Cambridge rowing. After serving with the Coldstream Guards stroked the Cambridge University Services crew at the Henley Peace Regatta in 1919, and went on to stroke the university crew to three successive victories in the Boat Races of 1920-22. Healso won the Grand Challenge cup at Henley, with Leander club, in 1922, and became a

Steward of the Regatta in 1949. Hubert Hartley was a master at Eton from 1922 until 1956. and a housemaster from 1933 until 1951. During the Second-World War he served on the staff, and later with military government in Italy, being made OBE in 1945. He was Master of the Ironmongers Company in 1953-54.

SIR JOHN SIMPSON

Sir James Pitman writes: More ought to be recorded of Sir John Simpson's contribution to the success of Organization and Methods in the Civil Service and to the fact that his contribution from the Treasury from 1944-53 led to the "sin cerest form of flattery local government and private enterprise subsequently paid, by their ever widening adoptions of O & M and the proliferation of the underlying wisdom which caused O & M to be made welcome by line management, as being no inter-ference with line authority, but rather as an effective service by staff officers having a very wide experience and above all, under-

Pirst as deputy director and then as director he brought from his already wide experience in the Civil Service all that respect which he enjoyed officers in many departments.
At all levels he emanated grounds for confidence that the advent of an O & M team was a happy event to be valued: He and I overlapped and I had thus occasion to admire and applaud. In retrospect, those in the renamed Management Services of the Civil Service Department of today will have had good cause to do

Main Rousseau Bocher, the dress designer who created the wedding gown of the Duchess of Windsor, has died in Munich at the age of 86. Mainbocher. as he was known professionally. had his own design house in the United States and had created, among other women's wear, the uniforms for the United States girl scouts and the United States Women Marine Corps.

Mr Gabriel d'Arboussier, former Minister of Justice of Senegal, has died at the age of 68. He had also been Ambassador in Paris and was previ-ously secretary-general of the Rassemblement Democratique



keeper of the department of manuscripts.

Weekly transmissions by the

company have doubled in the past 20 years to nearly 93 hours. "Informative" programming,

that is, news, current affairs, adult education, religious

children's programmes, came to 39 per cent of the total as against 19 per cent in 1956.

A review

Output of ITV doubled

The 23rd London International Boat Show is a real summer tonic in the middle of winter. In a setting of sea, sun and sai it's like a trip to the coast, for this marine wonderland of boats, equipment and accessories, finds its harbour theme at the exciting new boating and leisure centre of Brighton Marina. It's a getaway place for everyone, a perfect haven for boating with features of interest for all the family.

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Church news

Canon A. C. Dumper, Vicar of St Peter's, Stockton, diocese of Durham, has been appointed Bishop Suffragan of Dudley, diucese of Worcester, in succession to the Right Rev M. A. Mann, who was appointed Dean

25 years ago From The Times of Friday, Jan 4

Madrid, Jan 3.—The imminent signing of a bilateral pact between signing of a bilateral pact between the United States and Spain is heralded today by the three Madrid morning newspapers on the strength of a sattement which Mr Paul Porter, acting head of the Munual Security Agercy in Europe, gave to American correspondents during his three-day visit to Madrid at the new year. The arrangement will have both evonomic and military aspects. After approval by President Truman and General Franco (who is known to have rejected any suggestion of have rejected any suggestion of political conditions) the arrange-ment could come into force within 90 days when the first graut from funds believed to amount to funds believed to amount to \$100m—the figure proposed by \$100m—the figure proposed by \$200m—the figure proposed by \$200m—the figure proposed by made available to "pain. The American plan to enlist \$200m—the American plan to enlist \$200m—the figure plan defence is described as an alliance for mutual aid, and credit is given to the Caudillo for his "personal success" in obtaining financial assistance without placing a mortgage on his people's political freedom.

New bishop suffragan to 1970.

Other appointments include: Diocese of Carlisle

of Windsor. Canon Dumper was Dean and Vicar of St. Andrew's

Cathedral, Singapore, from 1964

A review of the first 21 years of independent broadcasting appears in the Independent Broad-1TP, 247 Tottenham Court Road, London WIP 0AU; £1.87; or from newsagents or booksellers, £1.40).

Mr Timothy Bevan, left, deputy chairman of Barclays Bank, handing over the box of recently discovered Byron and Shelley manuscripts to Lord Eccles, chairman of the British Library, where they are to be deposited on indefinite loan. With them is Dr D. P. Waley,

casting Authority's annual hand-book, published yesterday. It notes that there are about 13,000 per-manent employees in independent

broadcasting, of whom 11,000 work

for the television programme com-panies, 1,300 for the IBA and 1,000 for independent local radio.

Television and Radio 1977 (Inde-pendent Broadcasting Authority,

La Scala opera on TV The premiere of a new production of Bellini's opera Norma is to be transmitted from La Scala, Misas, on the Eurovision link on BBC2 on January 18.

European centre for nuclear research (Cern), near Geneva, is not just pushing back the frontiers of physics. The tunnel in which it is housed has called for hitherto unheard-of precision in surveying and drilling, in a recent report Dr J. Gervise, of Cern's survey group, has described how such high precision was achieved.

Ever since Roman times tunnelling has required great skills in surveying and civil engineering. Present-day practice in making road tunnels, for instance, calls for different sections to join with misfits of less than a centimetre.

The proton accelerator at Cern, however, had to be even more precisely constructed. Homsed in a The proton accelerator at CCru, however, had to be even more precisely constructed. Housed in a tunnel that is circular in plan, covering a radius of 1.1 kilometres, the accelerator is under sentive undulating terrain. The gently undulating terrain. The tunnel itself is 4 metres in diameter and more than a thousand magnets guide and

circle.
The deviation in the vertical plane was not permitted to exceed 0.15mm, and in the horizon-

The survey began on the surface with the establishment of six
equally spaced points around the
circle. High-precision surveying
equipment was used to keep
errors to the required minimum.
Shafts were then drilled and the
six surface reference points
marked out very accurately at
the bottom of each.

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The turnel was bored to link the reference points and form the underground circle. The machine used for that purpose had to be guided by something more precise than a magnetic compass, which would have been influenced by slight magnetization in the surrounding sediments. To obtain the required precision a gyroscope mounted on a theodolite was used. Every 32 metres

By Nature-Times News Service Source: Cern report, 76-19 ©Nature-Times News Service, 1977

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BUSINESS NEWS

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SERVICE

Oil groups ready to cut purchases from higher-price **Opec** countries

Energy Correspondent First signs are emerging that oil buyers are trying to reduce

their commitments to take crude from the 11 members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporring Countries (Opec) which increased their prices by 10 per cent on January I.

Mr Abdul Mustaleb Kazemi. the Kuwait Oil Minister, said For yesterday their buyers of Kuwait

for reduced quantities in 1977. Speaking on Quar radio, Speaking on Quar radio, monitored in Cyprus, he said he was considering what action no take, particularly in cases where the buyers had contracted to buy specific quantities.

"We must not act hastily", indeed the minister added lie sid not it it identify the buyers who wanted by its to reduce nucleuses.

to reduce purchases.
Bestish Petroleum, one of the t biggest buyers of Kuwaic oil, is sending a beam from Britain to hat Kuwait next week to discuss the withe first quarter of this year and the price the BP and Gulf were both given oil.

permission to increase their BP confirmed yesterday that in liftings in the final quarter of at will transfer its loss-making 1976 to enable them to build up Aden refinery to the South las stocks before the January 1 Yemen Government in May, In comprise rise. However, this was return the company has gained commercial contract " to did not allow their purchases to fall in the first half of 1977.

panies even dreamed of a twotier pricing system that would make Kuwari oil more expen-sive than comparative crudes from Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates which increased in price by only 5
per cent on January 1.
Oil industry sources said they
expected other countries which
increased prices by 10 per cent to face similar requests for a reduction in the amount of oil purchases, provided that Saudi Arabian production increased to more than 11 million barrels a day, as

expected. Export, Mobil, Texaco and Standard Oil of California, the companies with access to Saudi oil are already coming under pressure, particularly from Japanese buyers, to replace deliveries of Iranian oil with cheaper Sandi supplies.

The Department of Energy is to hold meetings this week with companies producing oil from the North Sea to discuss the effect of the Opec rises on

operate a 7.9 million ton a year capacity plant on behalf of the The talks are clearly impor-Government tank, since this undertaking was. The refinery was built in given when none of the com- 1954 at a cost of £50m.

Bank union challenge on profit sharing

By Christopher Thomas Two English clearing banks face a possible challenge under the Employment Protection Act if they fail to give an early commitment to introduce a

profit-sharing scheme. The action would be taken under the contentious Schedule II of the Employment Protection Act, a new measure aimed at creating similar pay and working conditions among comparable workers in the same

The National Union of Bank Employees is to consider a National Westminster and Williams & Glyn.

The schedule may also be used by NUBE to seek rises in some foreign banks operating in Britain, notably the Indian and Pakistani banks which, said Mr Leif Mills, general secretary of the union, pay less than that regarded as the market rate. "We took a claim against the National Bank of Pakistan under the Terms and Condi tions of Employment Act, but did not get very far. We may now be able to do something under Schedule II." A spokesman for Midland Bank said last night: "Profitsharing is under active con sideration, as the unions know." Schedule II applica-tions will be considered at the

significant new source of several minerals, including

the Sea.

Optimism pushes shares up sharply

New Year optimism moved

shares sharply ahead on the stock market in London yesterday. By the close of trading the FT Ordinary Share Index, arthough below its best, was still additionally beloed by outside the share four day ending 30p up to a best-yet

There was an impressive demand in the pre-lunch surron but because of a lack of follow through and some light profit-taking most prices had been chipped back by the end of the day. Helped by a good number press recommendations and shortage of stock, second-line issues led the way in early trading with the "blue chips" slow to respond. But once the leaders started to move they

By Our Financial Staff

stake in another American food

concern for an undisclosed

The latest acquisition is RHM's largest single investment

in the United States, and is part

of a continuing search for suitable acquisitions there.

factures tomato products, pea-nut butter and other conserves,

is geographically close to Gioia Macaroni, of Buffalo—in which

the group took a majority hold-

ing in August—es well as being partly complementary in

RHM said yesterday that Red Wing had increased pre-tax trading profits from \$2.2m in 1972 to \$5.1m last year. RHM is buying our the private company's shareholders, who have agreed to the bid, at approximately none right agree earnings.

mately nine times net earnings.

Red Wing's net assets had a book value of about \$8.9m last

year, but RHM is to have the

assets independently assessed, which is likely to show a sub-

In the latest RHM annual report published yesterday, Mr Joseph Rank, the chairman, said that results for the current

year were ahead of last year. However, because of the un-

Red Wing, which manu-

soon outsrtipped the rest of the rares helped banking and propmarket and attracted most of the extention.

The main exceptions to the trend were North Sea-related issues which continued their pre-Christmas strength. BP,

Engineering, electrical, stores and food retailing shares were also in demand and scored some double-figured rises. With food prices expected to rise about 20 per cent this year analysts are forecasting a good 12 months for the sector and its rerating is proving to be a market feature at the moment. As well as giving a boost to the fixed-interest market the prospect of still lower interest

erty shares even though best levels were not held.

The optimistic were talking freely of a return to the "bull" market. But there is a more caution school which considers that the market is highly susceptible to adverse factors and that it will need more solid evidence of economic progress to start a sustained advance.

An encouraging factor has

been the reappearance of over-

seas, particularly American in-terest, in "blue chip" and oil stocks and the "bulls" point to this as evidence of a growing interest rates led to renewed buying of Government stocks. The short "tap" of Exchequer 13 per cent 1980 was quickly

exhausted, confirming estimates that most of thre £800m issued in November had been sold by the end of 1976. The new long "tap" issued at 151 per cent and dated 1996 also sold well. and dated 1936 also sold well.

Market estimates suggests that
of the £750m on offer, about
£150m was sold to the public
on issue last Friday. A further £50m seems to hve been sold yesterday morning.

Market interest in these and

other Government stocks was increased by strong rumours that the Bank of England Minimum Lending Race would fell to 14 per cent on Friday, down from its present level of 144 per cent. Such a drop migh well lead to a fall inclearing bank rates, which could help

the economy generally. Financial Editor, page 16

Employees is to consider a Schedule II application against Lloyds and Michard if there is not an early response to demands for a profit-sharing scheme in line with Berclays, and Michard Berclays, scheme in line with food group

By Peter Hill and Mr 1011y 1011y Further resignations by staff relations director.

Against the background crisis Ranks Hovis McDougall is to pay \$23.1m (about £13.6m) for an American food manu-facturer, Red Wing, just a few months after taking a majority of the organizing committee of British Shipbuilders are expec-British Shipbuilders are expec-the worsening world crisis in ted to be announced next week. Shipbuilding and the possibility The delays to the Govern-ment's controversial Bill for the the Government is looking for The delays to the Government's controversial Bill for the nationalization of the shipbuilding and aircraft industries, which have already led to the announced resignation of Mr J. Graham Day, chief executive designate of the planned new state body, have created problems for ministers.

Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, met several members of the organizing com-mittee before Christmas in the wake of Mr Day's resignation to establish whether they were prepared to stay on.

Their replies are expected to be given to Mr Varley in the next few days, after talks with Whitehall officials over the committee's future.

All the staff concerned occupy key positions. They are Mr Peter Mills, the director in charge of corporate strategy and, like Mr Day, a Canadian; Mr Pat Griffiths, who has been concerned with financial affairs,

Renewed

someone to succeed Mr Day, and has also prepared contin-gency plans for the establish-ment of a state holding comp-any which could be brought into existence before nationalization. Mr Michael Casey, under secretary in charge of ship-building policy at the Depart-ment of Industry, is being strongly tipped as the man who

with a new state bolding comp-Details of any new appointments are expected by about the midle of this month, but Government is expected to wait until parliamentary examiners have pronounced on-

may be appointed to take over as chief executive, although

as chief executive, although initially this could be a post

Submissions to the examiners

the alleged hybridity in the

ence which could take several

The state holding company would have legal backing, which the organizing committee lacks. and would be able to spearhead a marketing policy for the industry in cooperation with those yards still in private hands.
It could also be used as the vehicle for aiding other com-panies which encountered dif-ficulties. Mr Casey would be ideally placed to take on the job of running the new organ:

will resume again next week, ciation with existing state-owned and their decision is expected companies in his present post.

the following week. If they de-cide that the Bill is hybrid a Lords committee will be constituted to listen to further evid-

Creation of a state holding company—which has been mooted for some weeks-would enable the Government_to form a new company which would take in the existing state-owned shipyards of Sunderland Shipbuilders and Govan Shipbuilders on the upper Clyde, together with the 50 per cent stateowned Cammell Laird Shipbuilders.

ization in view of his close asso-

Survival plan outlined

Disclosing that returns from the council's inspectors showed that 150,500 new homes were completed last year—starts were running at around 149,000—Sir Derek said that these levels, while about the same as for 1975, were well below the 200,000 units a year usually regarded as the traditional minimum capacity of the private housing industry.

is whether even the relatively modest figures of 1976 will be matched in 1977. All of you know of the shortage of building society funds, and of fears that private housing output this year may slip to 120,000 units or even below this figure". This could seriously impair the industry's capacity for years to come, add to unemployment

and completions could fall to 100,000 a year or even less by the middle of next year. A cut to below 100,000 units a year would make up to 100,000 unemoloyed, says the paper.

The plan pur forward had three main elements. First, the council says, there should be support for the building societies in lending to new houses. Finally, if interest rates do rise,

When the building societies

meet on January 14 to discuss interest rates, said Sir Derek, they would weigh carefully whether the recent reduction in minimum lending rate and any similar reduction which might occur in the near future, would be sufficient to bring in the funds now urgently needed. "If it would not then, we hope that building societies will not refrain from putting

rates up or from raising special loans for newly built housing and that they and the Govern-ment will then consider to-gether what measures can be taken to alleviate hardship both among those who have recently taken on new mortgages and particularly among those who are buying newly built The third part of the strategy

must be to ensure that if innust be to ensure that it in-terest charges did go up people of average income or a little below could afford to buy newly-built houses. He suggested such subsidies

could, perhaps, be repaid from any capital gains made when the owner sold his house.

Christopher Thomas writes: Thicty countries will this month tackle the range of prob-lems which have beset the conpolicy advice in two main areas
—job and pay stability, and
training of managers and wor-

The move is to be taken at

the ninth session of the Build-ing, Civil Engineering and Public Works Committee of the International Labour Office in Geneva from January 12-20.

Making up lost time in digital watch market

Trafalgar Watch, the north ondon-based company which claims that last year it cornered half the soaring British market in digital electronic watches, is expanding its production by a third later this month with the aim of achieving a totally British sourcing for a new generation of electronic

It could be a perilous step into deep technological waters, for until now it has been the United States semi-conductor giants which have dominated the production of certain key parts for digital watches.

The only other domestic pro-ducer of electronic watches, Sinclair Radionics, ran into technical problems in recent months, although these are now said to have been ironed out, with production back to normal. Sinclair was recently given a cash injection of £650,000 under a National Enterprise Board deal after the company's losses last year of £355,000.

Trafalgar Watch, Britain's largest distributor of low-priced traditional Swiss watches, has so far assembled digital watches by rar assembled digital watches by using bought-in parts from abroad. It achieved volume by selling at low prices through mass outlets on the high streets instead of traditional jeweller

The other main thrust in the United Kingdom market for electronic wetches, which is estimated to have run to one milion units lest year, came from the American semi-conductor companies which started the mass production, low-priced digital watch revolution.

Mr Willy Herrmann, Trafalgar's chairman, is a one-time jewelry trade wholesaler who started watch production in north London seven years ago by assembling mechanical watch parts from Switzerland. In digital watches the company has so far been producing only LED versions.

These rely for their time dis-play on light emitting diodes. Because LED displays use up considerable battery power a constant display is not practical, so the time in hours, minutes and seconds—plus day and date on most models-is brought up momentarily by the push of a button or by setting ing an inertia switch at the shake of the wrist.

The new generation of electronic watches are those using an LCD, or liquid crystal display, system. A constant dis-play is possible because there is much less drain on batteries. But until now such wateres have been selling at the upper end of the market, the cheapest in Britain retailing typically at £39 compared with £13 or some-times lower for LED watches. Later this month plans to produce the first batches of its LCD, five-function digitals, expected to retail

Components, including the integrated circuits, are planned to be turned out in north London where the production capacity will involve a 50 per cent increase in the workforce. For a short time quartz crystals are to be bought in from RCA Corporation.

Mr Herrmann's forecast is that LED prices will stabilize by March but that LCD models will continue to come down in price. He expects two million digital watches to be sold in Britain this year Trafalgar have plans for a

further step forward, with pro-duction beginning in the sunmer of analog electronic watches. These have the watches. These have the innards of the digital watch but, via a small step-motor, a traditional face, with hands, is operated.

Mr Herrmann, who expected to go from a 1976 turnover of around £6m to some £10m in 1977, believes, like other major electronic watch manufacturers, that by 1980 the watch market in Britain—currently 14 million watches a year-will be split half and half between electronic and mechanical watches.

Derek Harris

BP buys stake in ocean mining including Consolidated Gold ing early what is seen as a Fields with 10 per cent, has

By Desmond Quigley British Petroleum has taken already spent up to \$50m in exploration and development .53m (£1,76m) and \$5m, in a major deep sea mining project RIZ 10 per cent of these costs. rase metal exploration.

The interest has been ucquired from Rio Tinto-Zinc, which previously had a 20 per ent holding in the international onsortium developing methods frecovering f recovering managanese odules from the Pacific ocean ed at depths between 12,000 It is understood that the con-

£150m Brazil

by ECGD

funding backed

A £150m financial agreement,

providing funds for contracts to build part of a Brazilian steel-

works has been arranged by Morgan Grenfell. The deal will

Morgan Grenfell. The deal will be the second biggest to get the briking of the Export Credits Guarantee Department. The biggest was a £152m loan for a Polish PVC plant. The funds will be provided by the London and Scottish clearing banks.

The agreement, signed with

Aco Minas Gerais (Acominas), will cover confracts to be com-pleted between Davy Ashmore

international and Acominas worth £215.6m for the construc-

tion of an iron and steel plant in the state of Minas Gerais.

The loan is a sequel to the state visit to Britain by Brazil's President Geisel in May last year, when a memorandum of

understanding covering finance for the project was signed with

costs. BP is essentially paying Minerals, which was disclosed by Business News last month and officially announced yesterday, is part of a programme of "structured diversification" which BP has been following since the 1973 oil crisis. BP is seeking further joint

base metal mining ventures, and over the next few months will It is understood that the con-prium, headed by Kennecott houses, including RTZ, again. opper, with 50 per cent, and In its first venture, BP is join-

several minerals, including manganese, nickel, copper, cobalt and molybdenum.

technological and logistical problems are formidable and international agreement has yet to be reached on the Law of

RTZ, which joined the con-sortium in 1974 after Kenne-cott decided to bring in outside partners, reduced its stake to 10 per cent because of the and its very high risk.

However, BP does not expect commercial production to begin before about 1985 because the

certain economic conditions in Britain and the problems facing long-term nature of the project the bread industry, he declined to make a profit forecast. Stores report heavy sales business as

The winter sales are now in full swing with first reports indicating a substantial volume of business.

Exceptional trade is being reported in central London, which enjoyed a foreign touristfed boom before Christmas, but there are also optimistic reports from many provincial centres. Indications are that savings are now being dipped into further, and various forms of credit being heavily used to pay

for the heavy buying. But there are already signs that spending on food is declin-ing further. Bookings for foreign holidays are also still well down—a minimuf of 25 per cent below last year was a ommon estimate vesterday. Retailers of all types are reporting a good start to the sales. There has been particu-larly good trade in household

and banks, led by Davy and linen, china, glassware and other household goods. Mens' and womens' fashions are also doing well and, to some The overall cost of the project has been put at about \$1,800m (£1,060m). In addition to the British export credit now traders' surprise, so are electriconcluded, similar condits are cal good, despite heavy buying expected to be completed in amicipation of a VAT shortly in West Germany and increase in mini-Budget.

France. Morgan is also in the Selfridges which started its France. Morgan is also in the process of arranging a Europarate sales last Thursday reported that value of trade was up by hundreds of millions of 47 per cent on the comparable lollars for the project.

buyers dip into savings to pay for goods The impetus appears to have been maintained for the rest of the week except Saturday which was below the level for

> The store estimates that about 20 per cent of its taking came from foreigners, with much of the remainder coming from shoppers making special trips from the provinces during the holiday.

> The John Lewis Partnership said it had experienced similar increases to Selfridges in its Oxford Street branch.

started on Monday.

method of purchase. Curry's, the country's largest electricals multiple, says its sales have "started very well" with heavy trading at most of its branches and the public taking whatever is available.

clothing chain, reported sales countrywide as "far above ex-pectations".

Dixons Photographic said it was "genuinely amazed" at the level of trade achieved both during the post Budget Christ-mas period and in its sale which

Outstanding sales had been echieved for some products such as video games, but spart from this one item there were

no difficulties in obtaining Dixons had noticed that the rate of increase in the use of credic cards had speeded up during the past three months. Credit cards were replacing hire purchase as well as cash as a

In the toy trade central Lonnew year's day last year.

don sales appear to have been exceptional. Hamleys believe their sales could well turn out to have been as much as 40 per cent up.
But Redgates at Sheffield, the main north of England toy

retailer, estimates a 4 per cent to 5 per cent drop in sales volume.

Bargain conscious shoppers have crowded provincial shopping centres in the week since Christmas, especially boosting sales of high quality goods from leather suites to expensive hi-fi equipment, said M Les Seeney, dimental of the National

director general of the National Chamber of Trade. Birmingham stores reported record takings. Mr Cliff Palmer, general manager of Rackham's, part of the House f Fraser, said yesterday there ad been "an unbelievable week's trading starting on the Wednesday following Christmas, Mr G. W. Hulse, secretary of Birmingham Chamber of Trade, said clothes, domestic durables,

and luxury items were snapped

Sales turnover in Newcastle upon Tyne was boosted by an influx of Danish and Norwegian shoppers taking advantage of

confidence for building industry lifts pound Sterling continued to strengthen yesterday, closing at By Maicolm Brown

\$1.7085, up just over half a cent from the level at which it closed on Friday. Its effective depreciation

nst a basket of currencies of Britain's major trading part ners was unchanged at 44.1 per

A combination of weakness of the dollar and renewed optimism after the formal approval of the International Monetary Fund loan kept confidence in sterling high. The United Kingdom is expected to make its first drawing of \$1,150m (about £700m) within the next week or so, which will be used to build up reserves to cover the expected deficit in the early part of 1977.

The borrowing will not appear in reserve figures to be published today. These will show the position at the end of December, and are likely to be affected heavily by the repayment of the \$1,600m drawn from the special standby credit arranged during the summer of

Foreign exchange markets are still hopeful that agreement will be reached fairly soon on a support scheme to protect the United Kingdom from sudden withdrawals of the sterling balances.

This is to be discussed next week at a meeting of central bank governors in Basle at the Bank for International Settle-ments. The foreign exchange markets seem to be hoping for agreement at that session. Completing agreement on a scheme to deal with the prob-lems of the sterling balances would round off the package of measures which the Govern-ment has negotiated to put the pound on a stronger footing.

House builders could face a severe slump this year, Sir be given to help young people Derek Walker-Smith, chairman of the National House Building new homes in the early years. Council, said in London yester-

"What now concerns us all

and cause prices to soar, said Sir Derek. He was speaking at the publication of the text of a memorandum sent to Mr Peter Shore, Secretar yof State for the Environment, urging the Government to adopt a minimum survival programme for the private housing industry.

The memorandum says that is possible that, if no action is taken, private housing starts and completions could fall to

CBI's 'action programme'

The Confederation of British Industry is to publish its action programme" for 1977 later this week. The document, which will, in effect, be the confederation's policy manifesto for the next

Among subjects expected to figure in the action programme are pay policy and worker par-ticipation.

clear that they will regard the action programme as a bench mark against which the CBI's success as industry's negotiator and spokesman should be measured.

450 walk out at Cammell Laird

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out this week

year, will state the priorities on which industry wants to see action taken.

CBI leaders have made it

Only hours after returning from a 10-day holiday shut down, workers at the Cammell Laird shipyard in Birkenhead walked out on strike yesterday.
The stoppage, by 450 members of the boilermakers union, threatens to make nearly 5,000 other manual and staff workers

Brockhouse Limited 1976 at a glance

Results to 30th September not du £57m to £59m £2.70m to Profit before tax up from £3.02m £1.16m to Profit after tax up from £1.37m Profit retained up from £0,12m to £0.69m Dividend per share up from 2.9494p to 3.2443p 1.24 to 2.26 Dividend cover up from 7.96p 6.72p to Earnings per share up from

The Chairman, Mr. A. C. Darby, in his statement to

Capital Expenditure. Total incurred during the year was over £2m. For the current financial year we have already approved expenditure of £2½m.

Potential. I have chosen this heading in preference to "Prospects" because while I can form a view of the efficiency of our plant and of the abilities of our people. I am unable to peer through the politico-economic fog that envelops the whole land. We have both the people and the material to take full advantage of our opportunities. So the potential is there. Our ambition now is to produce results worthy of it.

Brewers-Weymouth & Redruth

storage and handling facilities in Cornwall.

Highlights from the statement of the Chairmen of J. A. Devenish & Company Limited, Mr. A. E. Ledger Hill, O.B.E., D.L., for the 53 weeks ended 1st October, 1976: 2

* Pre-tex profits increased by over 10% to £1,167,943. Proposed Final dividend of 14.6% makes year's total 21.1% (1975 – 19.2%).

bottled heer sales declined. Jester minerals continue in popular * One new pub bought and a freehold purchased. Uneconomic houses continue to be sold. Savings already evident from re-organisation of

* Increased demand for traditional draught beer and Viking Lager but

Results at a glance 1975 £1,167,943 £1,053,246 Group Profit before Taxation £645,919 £561,681 Group Profit after Taxation Available for Ordinary £625,085 (after extraordinary items) -- -Total Ordinary Dividend £194,078 £176,602 Profit retained in the Company £628,906 £448,483 68.86p Earnings on El Ordinary Stock

The Times index: 152.33 + 2.52How the markets moved The FT index: 360.6 +5.9

Rises				THE I	POUND	
RP Douglas RM	30p to 840p 13p to 57p	Myson Grp Oil Exploration	8p to 64p 10p to 105p	Santurille #	buys	Bank sells
Finlay J Hambro Life Hawker Sidd	13p to 167p 12p to 185p 12p to 460p	Royal Sun Alliance Tube Inv	14p to 294p 15p to 385p 10p to 310p	Australia S Austria Sch Belgium Fr	1.62 29.75 63.00	1.57 27.75 60.00
Lep Grp Messina Trans	20p to 118p 10p to 155p	Vickers Weyburn	6p to 151p 10p to 360p	Canada 5 Denmark Kr Finland Mkk	1.76 10.15 6.60	1.71 9.75 6.35
Falk			-	France Fr Germany Day	8.65 4.17	8.33 3.95
BH South Coral Leisure	10p to 90p 4p to 100p	Nthgate Explor	2p to 44p	Greece Dr Hongkong S	74.00 8.30	70.00 7.85
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Marievale Con Moran	9p to 67p 6p to 124p	Sutcliffe S'man Vaux	1p to 28p 3p to 230p	Norway Kr Portugal Esc	9.06 57.50	8.70 53.50
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Alternative views on the bull market

market made a cracking start to the New Year: it had after all been hard to uncover a bearish word amid all the Christmas and year-end pun-Christmas and year-end pun-ditry. But volume yesterday, if reasonable, was nothing to shout about, prices failed to hold their best levels and those who see the main gains in the equity market coming only later in the year remained stoically unmoved by the rapid marking up of prices during the more

This last point brings one back to the key issue of timing. The reasons for taking a reason-ably bullish view of the year as a whole have already been set out ad nauseam. But when should one be in and out of

One fairly widely held view in the market is that equities have already risen sharply extremely quickly—the FT 30 extremely quickly—the FT 30 share index is up by close on 100 points, or a third, in just 10 weeks—that most of the imminent good news has already been discounted, that the reverse yield gap is still high, that gilts remain the major attraction and that the short-term economic problems in the first half of 1976 have tended to be glossed over in the recent europoria.

In short, be prepared for a reaction in prices and some temporary upsets in sentiment. Leave any talk of the FT index at 400 and above until the second half of the year when the market should be riding on a steadily improving balance of payments position.

An alternative view is that

the market will once again move way ahead of events, not least if a sterling safety net is quickly sewn up and, whatever public noises may be made during the preliminary skirmishes, if an acceptable frame-work for the next wage round can be established ahead of the

Given these, together with continuing strength in gilts, one might instead have an equity market that performs strongly in the first half of the year and then begins to doubt that any fresh momentum in the world economy can in fact be sustained for long without an upturn in inflation and interest Government's strategy

on gilt sales and the corporate sector's stance on rights issues as we move into the year-end results season will undoubtedly play their parts too. But past stock market behaviour would tend to favour the latter

THF

After the re-rating Purchase of Lyons's hotel interests, the proposed withdrawal from Thomas Cook and prob-

able sale of more of its side activities are part and parcel of Trust Houses Forte's ongoing strategy of concentrating on its hotel operations where after the icy blasts of the last couple of years there are now good proscapacity will mean sustained growth into the early 1980's. Yet over the last three mooths the shares have jumped almost a third to 114p yesterday. Prompting this rapid re-rating has been the realization that THF's dangerously high operating and financial gearing favour now that hotel occupancy rates had started to pick up and interest rates were on the way down. The question now of course

is the extent to which the brighter outlook is discounted in the current share price.
My guess is that THF probably still has some way to go but probably not as far as some the optimists expect. loss of £4.1m, shareholders Certainly, counting against might be less than enthusiastic

and leisure interests are unlikely to make up much ground
with discretionary spending remaining under pressure this only about

But the market has yet to assess fully the contribution the Lyons hotel interests will make

to profits.

Meanwhile, the upturn in occupancy rates both in London and the provinces will only start to come through strongly in current year profits which may well take profits up to £33m next year against the probable £23m that will be reported in the year to last

At the same time, while the group's high level of overseas debt—less than a third of its £171m loans were in the United Kingdom last year—has

The best and worst performing

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Tins	## CIRENCE + 42
Oils	+29
Rubbers	+26
Toys & Games	+21
Newspapers, publishing	+19
Teas	+ 15
Mach Tools	+11
Motor distrib	±10
Insur brokers	+10
Electricals	+8
	+6
Shipping Chemicals	+1
Engin (heavy)	-1
Engin (gen)	-4
ALL SHARE INDEX	-6
Banks	-15
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Hire Purchase	- 15 - 16
Pack & Paper	-18
Comp ins .	- 19
Office Equip	20
Property	
Life Ins	20
Building Mats	-24
Textiles	-29
Household goods	-30
Contracting, Construction	
Mining Finance	-36
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made it vulnerable to sterling's decline, gearing has improved slightly thanks to the rights issue and will be further improved by the proceeds from the sale of Thos Cook and the few million that will be received from the sale of other

Williams Hudson Shareholders

can't refuse Shareholders have not had

much cause to love Williams Hudson since the shares stood at a 1973 "high" of 212p, and may again feel concern about the action of Argo Group, which has held effective control since 1971, in bidding just 25p a share for a group showing net worth of 67p a share in the last Opportunist though the bid

looks, however, the alternative of sitting tight, most particu-larly now that Argo has raised its stake from 46 to just over 50 per cent, is not attractive. To recap, Williams Hudson has recently sold off its shipping fleet at a profit of £2.1m, the result being a drop in indebtedness of £30m. But even after adjusting the balance sheer for this important piece of de-gearing it is plain that the com-

pany is still badly in need of

new capital.

Net borrowings appear to be around £23m compared to £9.1m of shareholders funds (equal, incidentally, to 80p a share) and the board has already said it intends to raise the issued capital early this year, pre-sumably through a rights issue. After the disastrous experience of the Vickers stake, sold at an estimated loss of £3m, the collapse of Venesta International, the mystifying pur-chase of a stake in Pleasurama and, ultimately, last year's net loss of £4.1m, shareholders

But the real problem is that, with the group capitalized at only about £2.5m before the bid, even a substantial rights issue would do little to resolve

the underlying gearing prob-Nor is there much to look for in profit terms. The recent the reduced borrowings, will knock a nasty, if not total, dent in current year trading profits, and of course shipping profits

—£534,000 last year—will be affected by the disposals.

The case for shareholders to

The case for shareholders to take the offered 25p while they can thus looks to be powerful, although a decision should be deferred pending the advice of an independent merchant bank which is being prepared for outside shareholders. The serious reservation revolves around reservation revolves around whether the gearing problem could alternatively be resolved by yet further disposals and whether Argo Group, once in complete control, intends to take precisely this route.

Profits A mixed outlook

Recent euphoria in the stock market has, for certain, had nothing to do with the outlook for company profits in 1977, which is universally acknow-ledged to be dull. Since world ledged to be dull. Since world trade is still depressed and likely to respond only slowly to any stimulus from the incoming Carter administration in the United States, demand will continue sluggish; price controls will limit margins growth at home; and since the pound is expected to be less success. is expected to be less suscep-tible than formerly to every gale on the currency markets as the current account deficit is narrowed by North Sea oil, last year's gains on the conver-sion of overseas profits into depreciated sterling are not likely to be repeated.

So most City analysts are now going for an average improvement of around 12-15 per cent at the earnings level in this, presumably for many compenies the last period for the presentation of historic cost figures, ahead of the introduc-tion of current cost accounting next year.
Within that somewhat unin-

spiring framework certain sectors can be expected to produce much more exciting results. Thus the oil companies, thanks principally to the benefits BP will be deriving from the North Sea, are likely to be producing aggregate profits spectacularly higher—estimates of how much range between 40 and 80 per cent. A lot of that, however, is reflected in the BP share price already; and there is still the placing of part of the Government's stake to inhibit any further progress.

Composite insurance com-panies profits, too, are likely to show rapid growth, of per-haps 40 per cent, on a cyclical recovery in underwriting and continuing strong growth in premium income. Backs, on the other hand, may find their profits' growth constrained by the corset, quite apart from the likelihood that

interest rates will fall The capital goods sector, too, is obviously in for a tough time, with orders running thin at this stage of the cycle, and any competitive advantages derived from the weakness of sterling likely to be running out if the pound steadies.

Prospects of a recovery in world trade should have com-panies such as the shipping majors and others with a big overseas sales content pushing strongly ahead. But if that recovery is likely to be delayed then companies with a high United Kingdom slighted last year as investors went for the sectors to benefit from the sterling slide, could

Commercial brakes come off for the independent television network

The independent television The independent television network ends its twenty-first year of broadcasting in excellent financial shape but with strong rumblings of discontent from its customers which may not augur well for its future. The latest of the monthly net revenue figures produced for the 15 ITV companies for November, at £26.9m, take the total for the 11 months to £209.6m, or over 30 per cent ahead of the same figure for 1975.

December advertisement

December advertisement bookings have also been heavy. They are well shead—by at least 15 per cent—of last year, and are likely to bring the total for 1976 to over £230m. The contractors also report continu-ing demand for the first quarter of 1977, when takings may be up by 20 to 25 per cent com-pared with 1976.

All this is a dramatic turn-round from the dismal days of 1974 and early 1975 when col-lective takings dropped by over 7 per cent, and it looks as though it is going to be sus-tained to the point where the

ITV NET REVENUE

Year	£m	year
1974	£149.2	– 7.
1975	£176.5	+ 18.
1976*	£230	+30.0
"estimated		•

old and bitterly resented

description of commercial tele-vision as a "licence to print money " will again be used.

For the improvement in earnings has been matched by the performance of profits.

Advertisers have been wryly watching a succession of ITV company annual reports chalking up dramatic gains during the year.

In October Thames Tele-vision, one of the largest of the contractors, reported a near doubling of pre-tax profits for the year ending June 30 to over £5.5m compared with £2.9m in the previous year and £4.6m in 1974. A month later the other London contractor, LWT London contractor, LWT (Holdings), reported a pre-tax profits increase from £3.34m to

f4.7m.

Just before Christmas the television section of the Granada group which serves Lapcashire and Cheshire reported a rise in profits from £3.2m to over £4.5m. Similarly much improved results have been turned in by Harlech, Westward and Ulster.

Although substantially better, the ITV companies' profits are by no means large. This is because on top of normal company taxes the Government creams off a special levy which, it is estimated, has contributed about £250m to the Exchequer since it was introduced in 1964.

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After much lobbying by the companies, the basis for assessing the levy was changed from a percentage of advertising revenue, without taking profits into account, to, in mid-1974, a system based on profits instead of income.

slice of profit equal to 2 per cent of its advertising revenue or £250,000 whichever is the greater free of the levy. The remainder, under the new system, is subject to the levy at 66.7 per cent. The point of the change, the companies maintained, is that it provided a strong incentive to invest revenue in programmes. The advertisers' sour reaction

Each company is allowed a

to the profit results is not due to envy, but because the improvement expected in programme output has not so far materialized. This was partly

HOW THE ITV COMPANIES SPEND EACH £T OF THEIR INCOME TO THE GOVERNMENT Levy (paid via ITA) Rent to ITA PROGRAMMES. Direct costs Supporting services

due to exceptionally strong com-petition from the BBC (which expects to have made a loss of £10m in 1976) which not only outbid its IIV rivals for major viewing events like the Olympic Games but also for high rating entertainment series like Kojak and Starsky and

However, ITV's failure to

maintain viewer ratings cannot only be attributed to unwillingness to spend heavily. For some of the cheapest programmes like Coronation Street are

Dickens of London and Destination America did badly.

The advertisers' dissatisfaction with falling viewer ratings, down by an estimated 18 per cent on last year, was exacerbated by steep increases in the costs they were being asked to pay for airtime.

The actual rises in charges to advertisers are not immedi-ately obvious, because dealing as they are with a highly perishable commodity-television airtime salesmen have tradi-tionally offered substantial disamong the most popular and counts and big advertisers have some of the most expensive like been used to paying only 60 per

cent or less of the published

In 1976, on top of rate card

In 1976, on top of rate card rises of about 25 per cent, advertisers have seen their hidden discounts cut by half or more. One fairly large advertiser reports that his spring 1977 campaign has cost 40 per cent more than the same schedule a year earlier.

One of the main contributing factors is that the supply of television advertising space is strictly limited by the Independent Broadcasting Authority (to a maximum of six minutes per hour of broadcasting). A surge in demand such as that experienced during the past year is enced during the past year is reflected in the reduction of discounts. There have also been accusations that contractors sometimes did not use all their airtime, in order to "harden

The situation has led to some strained relationships between advertisers and contractors during the past year. But threats of boycotting by the advertisers were largely empty if only because there was nowhere else they could turn.

Lack of real competition in ITV was an argument stressed by the advertising industry in its submission to the Annan Committee on the future of broadcasting when it recom-mended that the still unallocated fourth television channel should carry advertisements. Various recent leaks from the

suggest that the advertisers are unlikely to be granted their wish, but, along with the rest of the industry, they will have to wait and see if the present ITV structure must look to as laurels because of the entry of

Patricia Tisdali

Not enough food to go round It is now fashionable in Britain of the United States and when

is not as bad as it was once thought to be. There may be pockets in which tens of millions of people are starving, the view goes, but the spectre of a laudlord", remind the reader world congenitally incapable of that Lord Walston is no feeding most of its people is exaggerated.

The plight of the hungry has impinged little on the British ing peer he was a Labour analysis of the people in the British farming peer.

exaggerated.

The plight of the hungry has impinged little on the British public consciousness even when frequently stressed. Playing it down encourages a relieved shrug and forgetfulness. Lord Walston wants to restore the balance. He addresses his short new book, Dealing with Hunger*, to those concerned that "there should still be millions of starving people living in the world at the end of the twenworld at the end of the twentieth century". Lord Walston considers that world food supplies are now at

"grossly inadequate levels" and that the world is not doing enough about it. He ranges widely and considers social as well as economic reasons for the low opinion populations hold of food production. "The words 'peasant' 'farmer' and 'farm labourer

still carry in most countries a certain amount of contempt", he writes. While in rich countries like Britain the richest urban families strive to find second homes in the countryside, the rural poor in many countries long to be able to live and work in towns. He recalls in a brief histori-cal sketch that in the nineteenth

century the history of British food policy took a different course from that of the rest of Europe, thanks to the strength of British influence outside Europe. By the 1930s the food intake of an average Englishman was near the top of the international league table. Yet there were still millions of people in twentieth century
Britain who did not have
enough to eat "and this at a
time when wheat was being
destroyed in the middle west

Published
Head; £3.50.

to say that the world food crists coffee was being burnt in the is not as bad as it was once locomotives of Brazil.". Such comments, and the remark that it might sometimes "be well for the state to take over the land and become the

> parliamentary candidate before being made a life peer. He accepts that state owner-ship as practised in the Soviet Union has failed to produce

enough food for internal con-sumption. He rejects dogma and says that the pattern of land ownership for each com-munity should be decided according to its needs. Lord Walston recommends that where the state owns the land, tenant farmers should be able to pass on holdings to their

have complete security of tenure provided the land is put to good Like many authors who dis- country a share and say in to support his case. Unlike most, he does so in a terse and coherent manner and is not tempted to stray into long

children. "The tenants should

But if the evidence is strong the case itself is so abbreviated as to be almost trite. He wants more money and more respect for the business of food production. He wants painless transfer of wealth from other spheres to food production. He wants the rich to eat less

dissertations about particular

He wants the rich to eat less, smoke less and spend less on weapons. He does not demonstrate how they will be persuaded to do so. But his book is a valuable statement of the message that "even if all available food supplies were equally distributed there would not be enough to go round".

Hugh Clayton * Published by The Bodley

John Earle

A prospect of petrodollars July Italian hopes The Fiat deal with Libya has Foreign Bank bought a 9.6 per Italians it would be a neat solu-

suddenly set tongues talking in
Italy, as if the country's grave
economic problems could now
be solved overnight by a flood be solved overnight by a flood of petrodollars. Nothing is, of course, less true. Yet the deal may have paved the way for a steady investment interest on the part of oil producers who, for one reason or another, have hitherto shunned Italy.

There was disappointment at this lack of interest in many quarters in Italy after the post-1973 quadrupling of oil prices, especially as the late Signor Enrico Mattei of ENI established a kind of preferential relationship with the Third World in the 1950s when he broke the hold of the international oil companies—the seven sisters" as he called them—through an agreement with Iran giving the host

Throughout the years Italian companies certainly obtained their share of contracts with oilproducing countries, particularly in public works, construction and the oil industry. But this was due more to aggressiveness and competitive prices than to any innate preference.

After the oil crisis President Giovanni Leone visited Iran and Saudi Arabia, but returned virtually empty-handed. The oil-producers, it seemed, saw better scope for their funds north of the Alps. The new element on the horizon, however, is the pros-

Change of atmosphere

Italy, it was often said, was politically to make any investment commitment worth while Italian accounting practices were too obscure to obtain an accurate picture of many companies' true financial situation. Italian money markets were too unsophisticated and, latterly, have been so hedged with restrictions in defence of the lira as to deter any thought of fin-

motor cars produces a wide range of goods in the mechanical, engineering, transportation, and armaments fields. In exchange, it is injecting \$415m (about £244m) in capital and loans, and will have two members on the board. On a smaller scale, this announcement was soon followed

by the news that an Iranian group, Ritaco, had bought from Bosch of West Germany control of a Bergamo manufacturer of domestic appliances, Philco. The financial structures now exist, both to expand trade and

to finance capital investments. In addition to the foreign activities of Italian banks, the Unione Fiat deal Well di Banche Arabe e Europa (UBAE) has been operating since spring 1973 to facilitate operations with the Arab world A 51 per cent share is held Union des Banques Arabes the Libyan Arab Foreign Bank

holds a further 7 per cent and supplies the chairman, Mr Abdalla Saudi. The remaining sbares are in Italian hands-Banco di Roma. Banca Nazionale del Lavoro, the Icipu Public Credit Institute, and the parastatal corporations IRI and ENL Though its activities are still on a small scale, its presence has psychological importance as a signpost for closer economic relations with the Arab world.

triangular arrangements to finance Italian exports to the communist world. Signor Gio-vanui Agnelli, Fist chairman, aroused speculation about this when he flew to Moscow a few weeks ago to meet President Gaddafi of Libya, then on an official visit to the Soviet Union. Afterwards Signor Agnelli, in a newspaper interview, described such prospects as "a not unrealistic hypothesis", adding "the markets of the communist east are the most interesting today because they offer wide prospects". With the Soviet Union, how-

pect of using petrodollars in

ever, the main obstacle is that the Italian credit has run out

tion if, as Signor Agnelli suggested, the Russians them selves could ask oil-producing countries to provide the neces-sary funds. "Among other things", he said, "Moscow car place on the negotiating table arguments which we do not possess and to which countries like Libya are most respon-Among petroleum producers

the focus is on Libya, which has large funds available in relation to the size of popula-tion. For the Libyans, Italy is the best-known European country as well as its best; foreign trade partner, supplying 28 per cent of Libyan imports.

received

that Italian industry risks being taken over by its former colony, the Fiat deal has generally been well received in Italy. An extraordinary Fiat shareholders meeting has been called on Jan-uary 18 to approve it. There should be no doubt of the out-come, provided embarrassing are avoided, such 4 possible arms supplies or an attempt to change the policy of Fiat's newspaper La Stampa, which in the past has often taken a pro-Israeli line. Before Christmas Signor Rinaldo Ossola, the Foreign Trade Minister, visited Tripoli

Despite some isolated crien

economic and technical agreement, which may be signed in coming months in the first visit by an Italian Prime Minister. Signor Ossola has also been in Iran, and is due to go soon to Saudi Arabia. Nigeria and possibly Venezuela, to promote the flow of petrodollars in exchange for Italian exports of goods and services. One subject reported under discussion is 10 persuade oil countries to deposit funds for future purchases with the Bank of Italy, thus adding to Italian reserves.

to lay the groundwork for an

All such policies, however All such poncies, and it take time to bear fruit, and it would be wishful thinking to hope that the floodgates petrodollars will now suddenly

Business Diary: Merriman's posting • Prince over the water

They did not need a computer to pick Jim Merriman as Sir business to share in the business to share in the here is of the Cuckoo Comurbis or Common Squatter, described Robert Cockburn's successor as chairman of the National Computing Centre when the latter

Merriman, the Post Office. Corporation's board member for technology until his own retire-ment on New Year's Eve, has known Sir Robert for more than 20 years. They came across each other when Merriman, who has been with the Post Office for 40 years, was working on Goonbilly, the earth terminal of Britain's space comnunications link through which we now see television programmes relayed by satellite. Sir Robert, sometime controller of guided weapons and electronics with the former Ministry of Supply, was at the time involved in another, and less fortunate space project, the Blue Streak rocket.

Merriman is now also visiting professor in the Department of Electronic Science and Telecommunications at the University of Strathclyde.

The job of the NCC, of which the Pace Office is a market is

the Post Office is a member, is to promote the more effective use of computers. The chair-man-elect said last night that one of the main issues in computerdom was "the immense and rapid growth of mini and icro-computers.".
It was increasingly possibly

to pack formerly cumbersome machines into "incredibly machines into "incredibly small volumes" and to make them talk to each other over complex, but very efficient, Merriman said he wanted to continue the work NCC had

The destination of the RAF's

Belfast freighters now up for sale remains to be seen: not so that of Don Wright, a man who had much to do with getting them off the ground. Wright, the retiring chief test pilot of Shorts, the Northern Ireland aerospace company which made the Belfast, is off

to be personal pilot to Prince Mohammed bin Faisal al Saud, brother of the Saudi Arabian monarch, King Khalid and his country's Minister of Desalinarion and Water Resources. Wright is probably unique among British test pilots in holding a master mariner's ricket. He trained as a merchant navy cadet and was first mate on a tanker before join-

ing the RAF in 1953. He flew Canberra bombers and was an experimental test pilot at Faraborough before joining Shorts 13 years ago. joining Shorts 13 years ago.

In 1969 he became chief test pilot and Belfast harbour airport manager. In his 13 years he handled much of the flight development of the RAF's Belfast strategic freighters and the widely sold Skyvan. More recently he has led flight development of the new SD 3.30 commuter airliner which he took up on its maiden filght in

Wright is awaiting orders in

took up on its maiden filght in

or Common Squatter, described thus: "Habitat large conurba-tions. Invades the nests of other Personal pilot birds and establishes rookeries wherever it is allowed to proliferate. Although its depredations have caused considerable damage the authorities appear reluctant to change its status as a protected species, with the result that it is now ousting the

native population."
It is one of the cartoons in the Haslemere Bird Watchers' Guide for 1977, drawn by Ben Shailo for Fred Cleary's Haslemere Estates, the property developers specializing in period offices. The guide, which is really a calendar, also contains cartoons of the Left Tern or Summy Jim, a sagacious old fowl whose plumage veers between light pink to light blue, and the True Blue Maggie-pic, which "superseded the Heath Harrier in 1974, when it was voted the most popular hird among suburban gardeners". Traditional Russian cuisine, Shailo writes, recommends

at Hawker Siddeley's Chester foretold one event by accident, works, the aircraft is one of the first of the new long-range Series 700 and is setting back work The Wild Foods of Great works, the aircraft is one of the first of the new long-range Series 700 and is setting back the prince £1.2m. Wright will be paid an appropriately princely salary—thought to be more than \$20,000

Off the shelf

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roasting the Maggicpie "over a slow fire". There is also the Greater

Planner or Doedoe, characterized by long gestation and brooding, and the Drawing Bird or Lesser Architectus, whose nest-building skills have so deteriorated under the pressure of modern urban living that many species reject them alto-gether, hence the phrase "back to the drawing bird".

Britain might make a reprint for some publisher. This week comes news that Colin Spooner and Julian King, who run the Prism Press in Dorchester, are to bring out a reprint later this

The 1977 edition, which will cost £2.50 in paperback (it was 71p originally) and £6 in boards, omits Cameron's crusty assertion that "no Englishwoman has been stored to the control of th his Belfast home ready to Gerry Prince Mohammed's new HS 125 eight-passenger twin-jet to Jeddah where he will be based. Now being made ready of year, but we do seem to have

or a potato properly, except by an unavoidable accident". Spooner said that Prism, an "alternative society" publisher, had not suppressed the remark as too illibered for its market. He, like Business Diary, bought whereby the Libyan Arab the interest of the transaction whereby the Libyan Arab the interest of the transaction to seek \$650m extra credit facilities met with no apparent success. For the Spooner said that Prism, as a copy of the original book in a second-hand shop years ago, a second-hand shop years ago, and the passage in question appeared to be missing. We are sending him the relevant extract from our edition in case there is a second reprint-

Fluctuation

While things were looking up for the pound before Christmas, Business Diary had no idea just how much the patient had improved since.

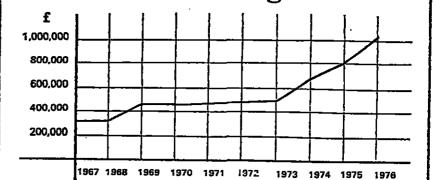
It was pleasant, therefore, on returning to the office after the new year holiday, to see in Castell Larby's City Diary 1977 that its list of foreign currencies showed sterling with a value of \$2.15, not to mention Swiss francs at 5.75 and Deutsche marks at 5.45.

A quick check, however, re-

A quick check, however, re-vealed that the diary's informa-tion is more than a year old. The exchange rates quoted are those of summer, 1975, and the respective rates for today are a more sombre looking \$1.70, with Swiss francs at 4-2 and 4 or so Deutsche marks to the pound. As the diary notes, rates are indeed "subject to fluctua-

In London just in time for the panto season is the new branch manager for Saudi Arabian Airlines. His name is Aladdin.

THE MOSS ENGINEERING **GROUP LIMITED** Profits break through the £1m



At present our internal budgets suggest the current year will produce results similar to its predecessor. On earlier occasions I have referred to our ability to wring the best out of difficult situations and having done this in 1976, we have a fighting chance of producing further growth from 1977. In terms of both the present and the future, the Group is in good order: indeed we look forward, with eagerness, to the programme we have set ourselves.

ERNEST CARS Chairman and Managing Director.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Why there is reason to be optimistic about N Sea

From Mr W. G. Weston platetion and discovery over his Sicily Your correspondent. Mr 28 years to more than 10 times the David Green (December 23) at present the cavils at optimistic estimates of There are some disappoint-lier, the scale and value of our oil ments in some parts of the

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lier. Acavils at optimistic espanses of the out-the scale and value of our oil ments in some parts of the out-the reserves in the North Sea. North Sea, but all experience supply. The gap between proven and in the area points in exploitable in the line known facts can be side, and scale as we progress. Meanthoring beyond that experience has to while, it is in everybody's interest, our own and other consumers, to set the production targets at the maximum from those properties and as duction resources around the Arabian early as practicable.

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Some of the finds have proved

to be on the small side for commercial exploitation. Might it have been preferable to examine the technical and commercial feasibility of the pipeline infrastructure on a broad scale, nationally and internationally, to adapt more readily to scattered finds, and incidentally bring the oil nearer to the points of consumption? W. G. WESTON, Little Meadow House,

The figures showed that the number of students with first degrees entering industry or commerce in 1974-75 was 12,382, 22.3 per cent of those that

that earned firsts, whereas in 1973-74 the comparable figures were 14,000, 25.3 per cent of the total.

At the same time the

Attracting best brains to industry

is from From Mr. J. P. Peeren that there is unlikely to be any apport Sir, Many disordes have been let up in the decline of the manufacturing alike to explain Britain.

The figures showed that the number of students with first the manufacturing and surface arrange industry. he present 20 years or so, it is worth look aroting, for instance, that in he can 958 Britain's share of world xports of manufactures was
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11 this theory has any merit PO Box 3421, in the Stationery Office (The Saudi Arabia, ty the Stationery Office) (The Saudi Arabia, ty the Stationery Office) (The Saudi Arabia, ty the Saudi Arabia, ty the Stationery Office) (The Saudi Arabia, ty the Saudi Arabia, ty the Stationery Office) (The Saudi Arabia, ty the Saudi Arabia, th of the Trustee Act .

From Mr D. J. Lewis Sir, It is becoming fairly fre-quent to observe companies announcing the payment of a nominal dividend in order to "preserve trustee status". This surely is a practice which is entirely against the concept of laying down guidelines for the benefit of trustees so that when they invest in companies they may be reasonably assured that they are unlikely to be misled into companies of doubtful

The workings

The requirement for the payment of dividends for a continuous period was plainly designed to guide trustees towards companies with a steady record. If a company has made a loss or has produced very poor results, it is quite con-trary to the intention of the Trustee Act for the declaration of a nominal dividend purely to stay within the provisions of the Act and appears to defeat the objective laid down quite properly at the time.

It is submitted that an urgent

revision is required to these provisions in the regulations concerning trustee status of companies so that, for example, there shall be certain minimum provisos as to the cover for the declaration of any dividend out of the actual year's earnings or possibly some proviso as to the maximum percentage reduction from the previous year's divi-dend or possibly the average of a number of recent years' dividends. For example, the reduction of a dividend by anything in excess of 75 per cent from the previous year's decla-ration should be a realistic limitation above which trustee status would be lost.

The position of trustees as regards investment in equity shares is a difficult one and this practice of declaration of nominal dividends in order to escape the clear intention of the provisions in the Act should be supped. Comments would be most appreciated from the accountancy profession and the City in order that suggestions may be made to the relevant

government department. Yours truly, D. J. LEWIS, Gloucester Place, London, W1H 4DQ. December 20.

Is a wealth tax 'a corrupt conception'?

Yours sincerely, JOHN P. PEEREY,

Development Assistance

rom Mr. W. A. Wooster no retain the services of the best people how is it possible to avoid some being richer than the services of the best people how is it possible to avoid some being richer than the services of the best people how is it possible to avoid some being richer than the services of the best people how is it possible to avoid some being richer than the services of the best people how is it possible to avoid some being richer than the services of the best people how is it possible to avoid some being richer than the services of the best people how is it possible to avoid some being richer than the services of the best people how is it possible to avoid some being richer than the services of the best people how is it possible to avoid some being richer than the services of the people how is it possible to avoid some being richer than the services of the people how is it possible to avoid some being richer than the services of the people will as socially unacceptable that 1 per cent of the people should own 25 per cent of private wealth. But if, in times path the services of the people will be avoid some being richer than the services of the people will be avoid some being richer than the services of the people will be avoid some being richer than the services of the people will be avoid some being richer than the services of the people will be avoid some being richer than the services of the people will be avoid some being richer than the services of the people will be avoid to avoid some being richer than the services of the people will be avoid to avoid some being richer than the services of the people will be avoid to avoid some being richer than the services of the people will be avoid to avoid some being richer than the services of the people will be avoid to avoid some being richer than the services of the people will be avoid to avoid the people wi - ir. Your issue of December

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al management problems in So long as merit is rewarded,

than others.

A wealth tax is an anti-differential device and in view of the insistence of the trade unions on differentials it ill becomes the TUC to support such a tax The ancient commandment "Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, etc.", is as valid today as it was several thousand years ago. A wealth tax is simply a form of state robbery without moral or in-dustrial justification. The TUC

should beware of lending its

support to such a corrupt conceotion. W. A. WOOSTER, 339 Cherry Hinton Road,

nsurance ncome ip by 17 pc

John Breman A fifth of British households we no life insurance, just lider a third have no mourlice covering house contents id only 9.3 per cent of houselids pay anything towards these or accident insurance. Overall, the average annual penditure of British house alds on all forms of insurance talled just 191.80 in 1974, the test period covered in Facts
d Rigures, the British Insurce Association's publication ce Association's publication.

The BIA, representing 285 surance companies which ansact some 35 per cent of the ridwide business of the ridsh insurance indusary, ows in its annual survey for 75 that members' total net emium income rose by 17 per nt to £7,52m, 42 per cent of tich was earned abroad.

Some 80 per cent of the com-Some 60 per cent of the com-nies' general business income w comes from overseas.

The insurance industry reuns by far the largest geneor of net invisible earnings the country among the fin-cial institutions.

In 1975 the insurance con-uies, Lloyd's and insurance skers added £452m to the mary's invisible balances cont-red with the banks £1350, l'otal investment of the insurtopped 1,800m in 1974, a 20 per cent rease over the previous year, tome on these long term ids rose by 18 per cent to 727m. And a further £465m. s earned on £6,500m of other ids held in the year. Ordinary shares and stocks numed for around a quarter the total investment holds, government stocks making a further 17 per cent of information. Because of 47 per cent in export sales. g-term funds and 11.5 per. it of other funds.

during 1975 government urities took 63.5 per cent the total net new investment, res 19 per cent, and property per cent. Total net new intment was 12,524m against 109m in 1973. Werseas business dominetes general accounts of the com-

ues, although losses in the ted States, Canada and ope produced net underwritses of £25.2m on nonor and \$149.8m on motor 1 the United Kingdom emvers' liability claims rose roly to £82.6m, fire losses slightly to £213m. Crime es rose by 29 per cent to

In brief

£60m Italian aid props up ailing state concern

From John Barle

Liquidation of the main companies in Egam, the state-owned mining and minerals group, has been temporarily averted by a government decree allocating 90,000m line (about £60m) to ensure salary payments and immediate creditors' claims. The Government has at the

same time undertaken to pro-duce a rescue plan by the end of next month. Liquidation

against seven Egam companies, employing 18,200 of the 34,000 workers in the group, have been shelved for the time being. The companies are Ammi (non-ferrous metals and mining),
Sogerse (mining in Sardinia),
Matec (textile machinery),
Vetrocoke (coke), Metalsud
(metal paris), Cogne and Breda
Sidarurgica (both special steels). It is virtually unknown for companies in the large stateowned sector to be put into liquidation.

German output down West German industrial production fell by one per cent in November after rising by about one per cent between September and October, helping to reinforce the ampression that the appeared movement in the German Control of the Contro man economy is nothing if not

Brewers need £300m The brewing industry needs to "recover £300m in the year" to stand still, according to Mr Joe Walker, Whithread's direcheavy rises in raw materials and distribution expenses it is cal-culated that the £300m will have to be made to cover increased input costs if the industry's profitability is to remain static.

Whisky exports set for record in 1976

Exports of Scotch whisky will be a record when the final figures for 1976 become available. In the 11 months to the were up 1.86 per cent to 83,287,000 proof gallons worth £394m compared with the same period in 1975, a 19.6 per cent increase in value. The previous record of 90,280,000 proof gallons in 1975 is almost certain to be beaten

Calor buys propane storage for £2m

Through its subsidiary Calor Gas Ltd, Calor Gas Holding is buying from Phillips Petroleum UK its refrigerated bulk storage for propane at Felixstowe. Calor will pay £2m in cash. The installation includes a

30,000 tonnes capacity refriger-

Rise in orders trend The beginnings of an upward trend in trade are evident in a year-end survey conducted by Leeds Chamber of Commerce

and Industry. Encouraging improvements in orders and sales at home and abroad are recorded and order books are lengthening. About 37 per cent of companies report en increase in home sales and

Cut-price cigarettes stay

New cigarette prices announced by Imperial Group yesterday show that the big manufacturers are determined to carry on the cut-price war which broke out after last April's budget. Imperial has now dropped coupons from the king-size version of Player's

Although recommended prices the Chancellor's pre-Christmas decided not to add the full 4p decided not to add the full 4p the Chancellor's pre-Christmas duty increase to all their tax increases, manufacturers are brands. It is adding only 1p again using special offers to the price of Rothmans King hold prices in the highly com-

petitive king-size sector. Imperial is keeping down the price of John Player King Size and John Player King Size Extra Mild to 47p for 20, 2p less than recommended.

For the king-size version of Player's No. 6 Imperial has

Player's No 6, Imperial has withdrawn coupons to keep the price to a recommended level of 49p for 20, 1p more instead of the expected increase of 4p. Carreras Rothmans has also

Products

Business appointments

Top change

on board of

Automotive



aging director of Automotive Products.

Mr G. D. Pears has succeeded Mr J. T. Panks as managing director of Antomotive Products. Mr Panks continues as deputy chairman and chief executive. Mr H. A. Whittail has become chairman of Amalgamated Power Engineering on the retirement of Mr R. F. Batty. Mr Whittail has been succeeded as managing director by Mr J. G. Ryder. Mr P. T. Jones has been made a deputy chairman and wil continue as sole deputy chairman when Mr H. N. G. Allen leaves the board on ratirement in April. Mr H. N. G. Allen leaves the board on retirement in April.
The Earl of Darmouth has succeeded Mr Roger Poore, who has retired as chairman of Ocean Wilsons (Holdings).
Mr Ken Butcher and Mr John Emerson have retired as executive directors of Tozer Kemsley & Millbourn (Holdings) and have been appointed non-executive directors.

been appointed non-executive directors.

Mr Allan Brooker, managing director, has been made chairman of Burrup, Mathieson and Company (Holdings). He succeeds Lord Wall, who has retired from the chairmanship and the board. Mr Cetil Frost is now a director of Allen Harvey & Ross.

Mr J. S. Camm, now managing director of Dickinson Robinson Group, becomes deputy chairman

Group, becomes deputy chairman and managing director, succeeding Mr T. L. Robinson as chief execu-tive. Mr Robinson remains chairtive. Mr Robinson remains chairman until next December, when he will retire. Mr D. O. Wood, Mr G. Bar and Mr W. R. Pierce become joint assistant managing directors. Mr J. A. Crabb, who becomes responsible for group strategic planning, and Mr Bar, join the executive committee. Mr F. A. Richards, Mr H. B. Jorgensen, and Mr E. K. Payne join the DRG board.

Mr Robin Vivian has become joint managing director of Marshall Cavendish.

Professor James Merriman has

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Professor James Merriman has
become chairman of the National
Computing Centre, from April 1,
to succeed Sir Robert Cockburn.

Mr C. M. K. Taylor is to become
chief executive of the Building
Societies Institute.

Mr E. D. Armstrong has been
appointed a deputy chairman of
Sedgwick Forbes Holdings, Mr C.
M. Mosselmans succeeds Mr E. D.
Armstrong as deputy chairman of
Sedgwick Forbes Services. Mr J.
Winmill becomes a deputy chair-

Sedgwick Forbes Services. Mr J. Winnull becomes a deputy chairman of Sedgwick Forbes Marine. Mr James Layton, Mr P. B. Mitchell, Mr L. R. Phillips and Mr D. C. Say have been made directors of Sedgwick Forbes Marine. Mr J. E. Holford and Mr M. H. Howell have joined the board of Sedgwick Forbes North America. Mr R. A. Fleming-Williams, Mr J. S. Lucas and Mr B. Wilkin have gone on to the board of Sedgwick Forbes Reinsurance Brokers. Mr F. B. Doyle has succeeded Sir Frank Figgures who has resigned as chairman of Central Wagon. Sir Frank and Mr M. C. Noel-Buxton have also resigned from the board.

Mr James Whitehead has become thief executive of Fosrox Holdings (UK).

chief executive of Fostor Munings (UK).

Mr E, N. Cheadle has been made an executive director of Price Waterhouse Associates.

Mr Peter Lane has been made director general of the Federation of Manufacturers of Construction Equipment and Cranes in successio to Mr John Annetts.

Mr M. S. Freema and Mr P. D. Deaksford. Joint managing directives. brakeford, joint managing directors of Newgreen (Underwriting Agencies), have been appointed chairman and managing director

respectively.
Mr Howard Fraser, managing director of Stanely Gibbons Merkur GmbH, the Frankfurt sub-Merkur GmbH, the Frankfurt sub-sidiary of Stanely Gibbons Inter-national, has become managing director of the English stamp deal-ing side and joint deputy chair-man of the parent company. He succeeds Mr John Webb who is retiring in March. Sir John Read has been made

Sir John Read has been made chairman of the economic development committee for the Electronics Industry.

Mr A. T. Fletcher is now managing director of Masson Scott Thrissell Engineering.

Mr David Marlow, a director, has become general manager of Industrial and Comercinal Finance Composition after the retirement. Corporation after the retirement of Mr Geoffrey Scarlett, who remains a member of the board. remains a member of the board.

Mr Denis Makower is to succeed Dr Eric Chamberlain, who is retiring, as director of Scientific Control, National Coal Board on

Sir Richard Young has joined the board of Boosey & Hawkes as a non-executive director. Mr Mr J. Gray has been made a director of R. K. Harrison, J. I Jacobs (Insurance). Mr C. W. P. Chase becomes a director of R. K

Chase becomes a director of R. K. Harrison. (Reinsurance Brokers).

Mr E. G. Fisher, Mr R. B.

Mills, Mr D. G. Shaw and Mr A. Sykes have been made life directors of Willis, Faber & Dumas. Mr J. H. Arvold, Mr C. E. P. Carter, Mr M. G. Churchill, Mr J. T. Dennis, Mr R. G. W. Dixon, Mr R. Drain, Mr M. H. Duder, Mr I. Ferenson. R. G. W. Dixon, Mr R. Drain, Mr M. H. Duder, Mr J. Ferguson, Mr R. H. Gayner, Mr P. Hart-Davies, Mr E. L. Jeremy, Mr G. M. M. Kingsbury, Mr F. D. Murdoch, Mr P. J. Rigby, Mr S. C. Scotto, Mr J. C. Seymour, Mr A. A. L. Thomson, Mr J. W. Waugh, Mr M. C. White and Mr M. M. Woods become directors. Mr Christopher Thorpe has been made managing director of

been made managing director of Booth Mechanical Services. He succeeds Mr Raymond Jones, who becomes deputy chairman.

Mr D. A. H. Rodger has become managing director of II

(Export). Mr David Carrington has been made a director of Matthews Wrightson Pulbrook, Mr Anthony Speed is now a director of Seamal Oil.

Mr Colin Keen and Mr David Watson have joined the board of S. Lyles. S. Lyles.
Mr J. M. B. L. Kerr and Mr C. J. Belk have gone on to the board of Ibstock Building ProJolly at first, but little follow through

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Shares made a flying start to weeks, while the new 15 per the New Year even though cent long tap ended a profit-taking and lack of follow-quarter above its £99.0 issue through meant that most prices were well below their best by the end of the day. were well below their best by the end of the day.

The industrial leaders were slow to move in early trading, but once they did they soon outpaced the second-liners which were helped by shortages of stock, the FT Index reached the point at 2 pm with a bowever continued to be a dull its high point at 2 pm with a however, continued to be a dull gain of 9.5, but by the close spot, not moving from its over-

Dealers said that the prelunch demand was impressive, but many feel that in this sort of form the market is extremely vulnerable to adverse factors.

advance of 5.9.

Stock markets

hardened 2p to 55p ahead of the annual meeting and a teachin for brokers in six days' time.
The meeting should be cheerful because demand is still strong and the group recovered well in the secon dhalf of the year to the beginning of last October.
First-half profits were only
£1.76m but they climbed to
£3.37m in the second six months.

three-eighths.

Earlier, the short-dated 13 per cent "tap" stock ran out after a life of less than six in Hillards 5p to 99p and For-

spot, not moving from its overhad fallen back to 360.6, a net night 382p. The leading engineers were more impressive with Hawker Siddeley 12p to the good at 460p, Tube Investments up 10p to 310p, GKN 5p to 285p, and, helped by comment, Vickers which ended 6p to the good at

Abead of the closure today of Ransome Hoffmann Pollard the Johnson Firth Brown offer, Dunford & Elliott edged ahead to 39p, against terms of 36.8p. Over on the electrical pitch. Thorn "A" put on 14p to 218p ahead of figures, due soon, and Reyrolle Parsons benefited from a press "Tip" to close 6p to the good at 132p. Others in demand were EMI 4p to 230p and Hoover 10p to 195p.

Hoping that the gradual deckine in interest rates will be continued at the end of the week, gilt-edged stocks attracted a good demand and held on to early gains of up to the stock shortages boosted Manchester Chisoared 53p to 122p after 125p

Py to 74p.
North Sea stocks continued to display their pre-Christanas strength. Foremost were Associated Newspapers 90 to 137p, Thomson Organisation 30 to 392p after 395p, Tricentrol

half-year to June AZ and assets

are strong. But the shares, now

One to watch this year is Barr & Stroud, the Glasgow-based instrument maker and engineer. There is an impression that a big electronics or leisure group could eventually try to add Barr's range to its own product line. Last October, the group reported pre-tax profits up from £232,000 to £304,000 for the

135p, are a sticky market and should not be chased. 70 to 1050, Oil Exploration 10p to 1050 and Viking Resources 8p to 72p. BP, with the continued help of United States buying, had an outstanding day rising 30p to 840p, but in contrast Shell were just 2p to the good at 458p.

Food retailers continued to attract more interest than for

Food retailers consinued to attract more interest than for some time as many consider the sector will have a good year. Bejam gained 5p to 80p, Associated Dairies 2p to 185p, Tesco 2p to 36p and kwik Save 7p to 131p.

After news of a United States acquisition Ranks Hovis edged ahead to 38†p. Other foods to gain ground were Booker McConnell 3p to 128p and Reckitt & Colman 5p to 340p. On the bid scene, Craydex

340n. Stores, too, were not left out, the best being Gus "A" 80 to 191p, British Home Stores 50 to

158p and Boots 5p to 124p. In spite of the grim background news, housebuilder Barratt Developments was a firm 55p, up 5o, while elsewhere on the building pitch. SGB added 5p to 58p, Mowlem 6p to 72p and Tarmac 4p to 134p.

The prospect of lower

The prospect of lower interest rates and even a possible base rate cut in the near future gave early strength to the clearing banks, but by the end they had come back a little. Lloyds ended 5p to the good at 210p. National Westminster 3p to 228p and Midland 2p to 257p.

Discounters were strong with Allen Harvey & Ross 10p better to 350p and Cater Ryder 7p ahead at 237p. Other strong spots were Schroders 10p to 290p, Kleinwort Benson 4p to 85p and Guinness Peat 6p to 158p.

The best of insurances were Royal 14p to 2949, Sun Alliance 15p to 385p, Guardian Royal Exchange 9p to 175p and Provident Life "A" 7p to 105p. In properties, the best gains were reserved for the bigger names with Land Securities for the 35 pt 143p. MEPC 4p to 46p and Stock Conversion 4p to 167p.

to 167p.

Equity turnover on December 31 was £50.14m (11.370 burgains). Active stocks vesterday, according to Exchange Telegraph, were BP. ICI, BAT Did. Tricentrol. Marks & Spencer, Shell, BAT Ind. I. Bibby, Courtaulds, Beechem, Grand Metronolitan, Lucas, Ladbroke, THF, Royal Insurance, RTZ, National Westminster, Berclavs, Ocean Transport, Hawker Siddeley, Hanson Trust, Gus "A." Oil Exploration, RM Douglas, Pauls & Whites, Weyburn Engineering and Ozalid.

Esperanza sprinting with 156 pc stride

Another record year was leap in pre-tax profits to £2.74m for the six months to September 30 has ensued. This is not far short of the £2.9m brought in for the whole of

Turnover and fees soared from £9,08m to £15.9m. Earnings a share were 13p against 6p and the dividend rises from 2.46p to 2.77p gross. The shares jumped 10p to 130p.

Lord Kissin, chairman, says that Gellarly Hankey has been included for the first time for

pyrites, less group expenses and finance charges of £202,000

Another heavy loss at Fraternal Est

In the six months to June 30, 1976, the losses of Fraternal Estates jumped from £13,000 to £128,000 on a turnover of £2.3m against 52.4m. The loss a share was 128p against 0.13p.
Mr John Lee, chairman,
points out that the comparative igures were stated without con-

solidating the results Fraternal Developments. In 1975, there was a loss of £388,000 before adding nonrecurring extraordinary items of £417,000. The loss for 1974 was

S. Heath soars 115 pc

In one big bound the pre-tax profits of Samuel Heath & Sons, a maker of brass and other metal products strode 115 per cent to a record £174,000 in the six months to September 30. This was better than the profits for the whole of 1974-75 though they were short of the £298,000 for 1975-76. Turnover went up from £765,000 to £1m. Mr S. B. Heath, chairma says that it would not be realis

tic to expect as big a ris the second half year. But not surprisingly good things are ex-pected. Demand was high, par-ticularly in exports, and it is staying that way.

Whitecroft rejects Hanson's £11m

Having considered the 122pash-a-share offer from Hanson Trust, the board of Whitecroft, headed by Mr E. G. Goold, the Wagg, think that it is far too low. They say that it sub-stantially under values the group's current and prospective earnings, and its net assets. The board is reviewing its forecast of profits for the year to March 31 next, and also its dividend policy. Shareholders

are advised to do nothing.

during the first six months,

predicted at the last annual cent of Whitecroft, and recently meeting of Esperanza Trade & bought 25,000 shares through Transport; and a 156 per cent the market at 130p.

Wm Mallinson in US foray International timber merchant

William Mallinson & Denny Mott has taken over a long established American timber company for more than £2.25m. William Mallinson (USA), its wholly-owned United States subsidiary, has bought Thomp-son Mahogany of Philadelphia for \$3.85m cash.

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Guy Butler (International) Limited, the London-based currency deposit and foreign exchange broker with offices in Europe, the United States, Europe, the United States, Middle East and South East Asia, has formed a new company in New York, Garvin Guy

It has linked with the Garvin Bantel Corporation the oldest firm of money brokers in the United States. The association has been formed as a partnership through

the amalgamation of Guy But-ier's New York company, Butler King (Money Brokers) Inc, with the money broking interests of Garvin Bantel Corporation. Garvin Bantel will have a 51

per cent stake, and Guy Butler 49 per cent. Guy Butler (Canada) Ltd, Toronto, will probably join the partnership soon. Garvin Bantel is involved in all aspects of domestic money market operations in the United States, and through its m ship of the New York and American Stock Exchanges is is actively engaged in all forms of securities and bond trading. The London offices of Guy Butler and Butler Till, the lead-ing firm of sterling money brokers, have one of the largest and best equipped dealing rooms in the London market.

John Mowlem expands

John Mowlen has bought Duke and Ockenden, a private company and its subsidiary, Amalgamated Drilling Equip-ment, for £505,000 in cash, Duke and Ockenden makes drilling equipment for water wells, open cast mining and sice investiga-tion. Three quarters of its pre-sent order book is for export. The unaudited accounts for the year to June 30 last show pre-tax profits of £176,000 on sales of £1,024,000. Net tangible

New capital issues second highest ever last year

By Christopher Wilkins New capital issues last year only to the £214m issue by raised £1,464m, according to statistics produced by the Midwas predominantly subscribed land Bank. This was £529m by the Government. Five com-below the previous year's panies raised money when they £1,993m, but was nevertheless obtained a stock exchange list-the second highest total ever. ing, the first to do so since 1973. However, there was a pronounced slowdown in fund ing during the second half of the year, and threequarters of the total amount was raised

During December new issues raised only £28m, of which £10m was accounted for by iocal authorities. Altogether 168 company issues were made raising £1,160.9m, equal to 79 per cent of the total. Of this, 88 per cent was in rights issues. The biggest issue of the year issues of stock.

assets were valued at about £500,000. They include freehold and leasehold land and buildings at Littlehampton valued at £162,500.

Ordinary shares accounted for 88 per cent of the total sum raised by companies. The rest comprised preference shares per cent), convertible debt (1 per cent) and other debt (7 per

cent).
Public bodies twised £303m well down on the £415m of the year before. Out of this local authorities accounted for £286m, with 244 bond issues raising £135m and a further £151m in the form of four

Croydex bounds on £4m bid by London Brick By John Brennan This is its first move into the

Up sprang the shares in hardware group Croydex by 66p to 122p on an agreed £4-06m bid from London Brick, now making its first move into direct retailing.
The bid, worth 125p a share

to Croydex holders, has been irrevocably accepted by the board and other shareholders representing around 29 per cent of the shares.

London Brick already holds just over 8 per cent of the equity, a holding acquired a couple of months ago shortly after initial discussions were held with the Croydex manage-

Its pre-tax profits reached

On 1975 earnings the offer -price represents an exit p/e ratio of 8.4. The shares in London Brick which intends to pay for the acquisition from its existing cash resources, rose 2p

Lond Int'l T'st seeks relisting

Stricken by its \$210,000 of used to share some directors, London Intercontinental Trust says in its 1976 report and accounts:

"The company is taking steps to remove the suspension of its listing on The Stock Exchange and an announcement will be made in due course." Auditors Touche Ross comment on the amount due from

Mitton, shown in the balance sheet at £34,500 (£209,955 less a sheet at £34,500 (£207,333 ress a provision of £175,455): "the liquidation of MBP has not pro-gressed sufficiently to enable us to form an opinion as to the reasonableness of that pro-

Excluding anything from Minton, the group balance sheet shows investments of £74,928 and net current assets of £12,390 against a capital of £1m in £1 shares. But accumulated deficits totalled £878,182. There is no dividend.

The trust has been advised by Counsel that it has a claim against bankers, and a writ has been served for £195,000. The Stock Exchange Compen-sation Fund decided not to pay

compensation to the Trust, and on November 18 last, the Coun-

cil refused an appeal. The two directors, Messrs Harry Skin-

directors, Messrs Harry Skin-ner and David Hanmer say that

no reasons were given. Local authorities

Camden and Surrey head this week's crop of local authority bonds. Both are borrowing film apiece. Cheshire and bounce. Chesture and Edinburgh are each raising fl.5m, and Hertfordshire, Southempton and Southwark country is 131 seek film. The compon is 131

direct retail field. Croydex, which produces ground 200 hardware products

for household, garden and in-dustrial use makes a range which includes bathroom mats, shower equipment and hosé

£672,000 on a turnover of £5.1m in 1975.

Briefly

PMA (HOLDINGS) PMA (HOLLINGS)

PMA has sold freehold warehouse at Menton, Eccles, Lancashire (net book value £110,000)

for £100,000 cash. CH BAILEY

Accounts for period to March 2, 1976, which were to have been put to annual meeting last Friday, not yet completed because of overseas subsidiaries. Indications are for net loss before crediting tax repayments and exchange gains. AGM adjourned to March 7; accounts due on or before Febrnary 11.

KNOTT MILL For 24 weeks to August 9, turn-over £1.8m (£1.55m). Pre-tax loss £7,000 (£1,000). No interim (same). But second half-year prov-ing satisfactory.

WILLIAM TACKS Company has agreed to sell 29 per cent of William Jacks (Malaya) Berhad to Straits Steamship, 59 per cent owned by Ocean Transport, for around

LONDON & ASSOC INV TRUST
For half-year to June 30, pretax loss £57,399 (£189,761 loss).
After debriting share in associated
company's extraordinary expenditure of £312,069, net loss £369,468
(loss £148,173). Company's share in increase in reserves of Harrison & Son after revaluing properties £272,762. No interim again. STAVELEY INDUSTRIES

STAVELEY INDUSTRIES
In annual report, Mr H. R.
Moore, chairman, says that recovery phase is over but group
should still show a respectable increase in profits and sales this
year. Group is also seeking acquisitions. MERGER CLEARANCE Mr Roy Hattersley, Secretary of State for Prices, not referring Londho/London City and West-cliff Props and Standard Chartered Bank/Wallace Brothers to Monopolies Commission.

JOHN CARR (DONCASTER) LIMITED

Joinery Manufacturers

Extracts from the accounts for the year ended 30th September, 1976

	1976 2000s	1975 £000s
Sales to Customers (excluding VAT)		8,944
Earnings before Taxation Taxation Profits after Taxation	2,021 994 1,027	1,346 713 633
Earnings	p per share 9.31 1.639	p per share 5.74 1.49

★ Another record year

★ Turnover increase 48% ★ Profit increase 50%

* Now entering export market * Building Trade activity now greatly reduced.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

CCA profits down 38 pc in Redman H accounts

Current cost accounting would have our Redman Heenan International's historic pre-tax profits for the year to September 30 by 38 per cent, according to the latest annual report.

In what must be the first to include accounts drawn up in line with the Accounting sure Draft 18, pre-tax profits should have fallen from £2.04m on an historic basis to £1.25m

under CCA.
On the other hand shareholders' funds rose by more than the fall in the value of money during the year under CCH.

RHI's balance sheet has grown stronger, and the over-draft has fallen by £1.99m. Total borrowings as a percentage of shoreholders' funds dwindled from 60 per cent to per cent. Mr Angus Murray, chairman,

takes the same cautious view as last year in his annual review. He states that order intake continues to be hesitant. However, the group is hoping that all divisions will make profits this year, and reverse the trend of increasing home

New Life **Business**

Fresh growth at 'Pru'

A big increase in new life business for 1976 is reported by the Prudential Assurance. life assurances and annuities were effected with the group for new annual premiums of £120.2m (£95m in 1975) and single premiums and annuity considerations of £65.9m considerations of £65.9m (£38.9m). Sums assured totalled £7,864m (£6,048m), while annuities per annum were £160.2m (£109.8m).

VICTORY REINSURANCE Victory Reinsurance reports a 21 per cent increase in new sums assured for 1976 at £425m. New annual premiums were £2.1m (£2.3m) and single premiums £5.6m (£9.7m). Eurobond prices

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Herbert in Mexico

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M. J. H. NIGHTINGALE & CO. LIMITED-62-63 Threadneedle Street, London EC2R SHP. Tel: 01-638 8651

Machine-tool group Alfred Herbert is the major partner in a jointly-owned enterprise aimed to take advantage of an expansion planned for the in-dustry in Mexico.

The partners are Nacional Financiera, a state bank, and lingenieros Civiles Asociados, Mexico's largest private engineering group.

CONVERTIBLES

BEDFORD LIFE BEOFORD LIFE
Bedford Life, the life and pension subsidiary of Zurich Insurance, reports sums assured of £71.94m for 1976 (£34.12m) and amuties of £207,000 (£147,000).

SUN ALLIANCE & LONDON
Sun Alliance and London Insurance issued new life assurance and annuity policies in 1976 for annual premiums of £11.4m (£7.5m) and single premiums of £2.4m (£2m). These policies secured sums assured of £513m (£414m) and annuities of £20.2m pa (£14.5m pa).

MERCANTILE & GENERAL Net new sums assured for 1976, £2,190m (£1,400m). Net new annual premiums, £11.4m

(£7.34m). Record net new annual premium income for 1976 for assurances and annuities, including group permanent health insurance schemes and pension schemes other than business effected through subsidiary, Pensions Management (SWF) and Exempt Unit Trust Scheme, was over £18.25m (£15.45m). New single premiums were over £5.5m (£5.35m). SCOTTISH WIDOWS'

LONDON LIFE ASSOC
New annual premiums for 1976,
£4.32m (£3.88m). New sums
assured, £120.12m (£100.3m). Single p tions f (£2.1m). premiums and considera-for annuities, £3.85m

YORKSHIRE-GENERAL Yorkshire-General Life Assurance, the life company of General Acoldent, announces that in 1976 net new sums assured were written amounting to £799.25m (£653.31m in 1975) of which £618.72m (£507.65m) was in respect of ordinary life business and £180.53m (£145.65m) in respect of pension business.

Bank Base Rates

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THE NEW THROGMORTON TRUST LTD.

Capital Loan Stock Valuation 4th January, 1977. The net asset value per \$1 of Capital Loan Stock is nil. Therefore the Tender price is nil.

Commodities

May, 256-60; July, 261-65; Oct. 268-74; Dec. 272-82; March. 276-67; May. 279-90; July, 281-98 angladesh white Jurie, was easier.—Bangladesh white Jurie, Jan. 284-96, Jan. 282-96, Jan. 282-96, Jan. 282-96, Jan. 282-96, Jan. 282-96, Jan. 282-26 east or 200th coast. Creats, Jan. 282-50; Feb. 282-50 uast French; Jan. 282-50; Feb. 282-50 uast Crass. Sept.—EEC (cod. 282-96) uast Crass. Sept.—E COPPER was steady, cash wire bars pauting on \$6.25; three months sainting sainting \$6.65.805 months with three months. \$2839-39.50. Sales. 4.975 tons. Cash cathodes. \$792-94; three months. \$2825.50-26.0. Sales. 1.775 tons. Imainly caprise). Morning.—Cash wirebars. \$2805.806; three months. \$2835. 40. Settlement. \$2805.806; three months. \$2835. 500 tons. \$2108. \$500 tons. \$2108. \$200 tons. \$2108. \$ tent lan £84.25 est or south coast. MADE—No 5 yellow Anstream. French: Jan. £82.50; Feb. £84.50 east Coast.

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fund

Bank of America International has entered the offshore fund market with a new Jersey-based fund, the Worldinvest Income Fund. The fund's objective is to secure a good income from an international spread of fixed interest holdings and is seen by the marketer as a competitor. the managers as a competitor to Eurodeposits. The minimum investment is \$5,000 and the initial fee is 1 per cent. It is not available to United Kingdom residents.

CMT opens brightly

& Trading Group to a best-ever profit of £3.53m before tax in 1975-76, but Mr Norman Hickman is cautious. He says in his annual statement that the up-ward trend in the United King-dom economy as a whole has not yet been fully confirmed. But both sales and orders show a "healthy" increase.

UK metal stocks

The dollar recovered much of the ground lost on Monday and early yesterday in thin European trading helped by widespread moderate centres, noabby Germany and Switzerland, dealers said.

Sterling, which held firm against the dollar when it was weakening, gained against European currencies in line with the United States unit when it began to recover. The pound closed at \$1.7085, a gain of 68 points on Friday. The "effective devaluation" rate was 44.1 per cent.

The mark closed at 2.3445/55 to the dollar after trading as high as 2.3375 in the morning, while other European currencies followed a similar pattern.

Steriing met steady demand from all quarters, helped by high short-dated Eurosterling interest rates which possibly reflect buying of United Kingdom government stock by foreign holders, the dealers said.

The Canadian dollar was firm, moving up to a late 99.50/55 United States cents against the 98.99/99.02 ruling in London late on Friday.

Gold closed in London at

New Bank of America

Record final-quarter profits helped Central Manufacturing

Stocks in London Metal Exchange official warehouses at the end of last week (all in tonnes except silver) were: Copper up 3,675 to 603,475; the down 60 to 5,350; lead down 3,425 to 65,875; zinc down 3,975 to 89,175; silver up 230,000 to 28,500,000 troy ounces.

Exchange

on Friday. Gold closed in London at \$135.50. **Spot Position** of Sterling

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Discount market Credit remained short in Lombard Street yesterday although on

nothing like the scale of the past couple of weeks. On what is likely to be the easiest day of the week. the Bank of England gave a moderate amount of assistance to money markets.

The Bank bought a small amount of Treasury bills and local author-ity bills directly from the houses and also lent—for purely technical reasons—a small sum overnight to and also lent—for purely technical reasons—a small sum overnight to five or six houses at MLR (14) per cent). This was reckoned to have been sufficient to meet the market's requirements and may even have left the banks with a small sum to carry over to today when gilt and loan settlements will probably make things quite tight again.

A net take-up of Treasury bills and repayment of the extremely large loans made to the market by the Bank on Friday finally slightly outwelghed favourable underlying factors. The Bank's programme of help enabled closing balances to be found anywhere from 131 down to 12 per cent.

Money Market

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Wall Street

New York, Jan 4.—Prices were mixed, continuing the pattern established in the previous session. Analysis said that sporadic profittaking was being matched by general optimism about the economic outlook.

But analysts believed that some investors were merely waiting for investors were merely waiting for President-elect Carter to outline

his economic package Advances outscored declines by more than 100 issues, but popular market averages showed little

Silver gains 6 cents

Naw York, Jan 5.—Silver futures finished 6.00 to 4.80 cents higher on scattered snort co-ering prompted in part by the faiture of an expected bout of print taking to materialize Jan. 4-1.00c; Feb. 442.00c; March. 443.40c; May. 148.70c; July. 452.00c; Sept. 457.20c; Dec. 464.30c; Jan. 466.70c; March. 471.40c; May. 476.10c.

sept. 157:00c; Dec. 464:30c; Jan. 466:70c; March. 471.40c; May. 476.10c.
GOLD futures closed mostly ligher. On the Comex prices were 30 to 60 cents higher. Prices on the DM ranged from 20 cents lower to 50 cents higher. NY COMEX.—121. 575:70; Feb. 3136:70; May. 471.40; May. 5139:40; May. 5139:40 gp 20. CDFFEE.—Futures in "C" contract held at the 3 cant limit advance up to the close.—Warch, 228.50-28.60r: May, 225.56c bid; July, 126.00c bid; Sepl. 226.03c bid; Dec. 219.33c bid;

in the cross starts, 225.50c bid: Sepi. 225.58c bid: July. 225.00c bid: Sepi. 225.58c bid: July. 225.00c bid: Sepi. 225.58c bid: Dec. 219.35c bid: March. 1538.40c; May. 135 00c; July. 128.04c; Sepi. 122.35c; Dec. 111.85c; March. 107.20c; May. nil. Spots: Ghina. 1533c. Bahla 1513c.

WOOL and Crossbred fitures remained unsold. Closing prices were unchanged to 0.10 cent up on the day. GREASE WOOL.—Spot. 170.0c gominal. March. 144.60c nonneal. March. 145.0c. Hilleado SOYABEANS. Futures closed \$1.00 a ton lower to \$1 higher while oil future: posted losses of 0.37 to 0.15 cents a lb. SOYABEANS: Jan. 699.700c; March. 703.795c. May. 701.011/sc; July. 693-94c, Aug. 682.80c; 690.652.55c. Nov. 631-511/c; Jan. 637c. March. 640-41c. SOYABEAN. 701.011/sc; July. 693-94c, Aug. 682.80c. 501.512.00c. 327.00c. 327.

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Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

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SALTO SANTIAGO HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT PRE-QUALIFICATION OF SUPPLIERS OF LOW-VOLTAGE STATION SERVICE EQUIPMENT

Centrais Eletricas do sul do Brasil S.A.-Eletrosul will invite bids from qualified manufacturers (selected by means of the pre-qualification to which this notice refers) for the design, manufacture, supply, supervision of erection and field tests of the following equipment for the above mentioned project, situated on the Iguacu river, State of Parana, Brazil:

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Each bid to be invited shall cover all equipment listed above.

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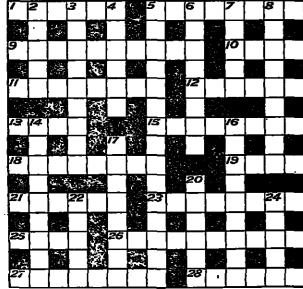
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